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S. A. Weber, *Chairman;* S. B. Jones, A. J. Stokes, Dr. H Baer, F. A. Connor and W. K. Blake.

Committees of Examination.

CANDIDATES FOR ADMISSION.

T. E. Wannamaker,
J. B. Massebeau,

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J. L. Shuford,
A. J. Cauthen,
Landy Wood.

Second Year.

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J. B. Traywick,
Thos. Mitchell,
R. L. Harper.

M. L. Banks,
B. G. Jones.

Third Year.

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W. M Mood,
S. P. H. Elwell,
W. T. Capers.

Fourth Year.

J. C. Stoll,
J. E Watson,
J. W. McRoy,
Wm. Thomas.

II.

SYNOPSIS OF PROCEEDINGS.

WEDNESDAY—FIRST DAY.

COLUMBIA, S. C., December 12th, 1877.

The South Carolina Conference convened in its Ninety-Second Session, in Washington Street Church, Columbia, S. C., December 12, 1877, at 9 A. M., Bishop D. S. Doggett in the chair. Devotional exercises by the Bishop, who afterwards briefly addressed the body.

The roll called, and one hundred and thirteen clerical members and fourteen lay representatives answered to their names.

W. C. Power was elected Secretary, with usual Assistants.

A committee was appointed to nominate the usual committees. On motion they were instructed to nominate the Committee on Education also.

A committee of three was appointed to express sympathy with the Church in the decease of Bishop Marvin, Dr. A. T. Bledsoe and Dr. J. A. Duncan.

Hours of meeting and adjournment 9.30 A. M. and 1.30 P. M.

COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCE.

Public Worship—E. J. Meynardie, J. T. Wightman, J. W. Dickson and J. A. Elkins.
Books and Periodicals—Sam'l Leard, T. S. Moorman and J. W. McRoy.
Bible Cause—T. G. Herbert, D. J. McMillan and Jas. Norton.
Minutes—A. J. Cauthen, G. H. Pooser and J. C Medlin.
Temperance—W. T. D. Cousar, S. P. H. Elwell and D. D. Dantzler.
Memoirs--J. A. Porter, Thomas Mitchell and R. D. Smart.
Education—S. A. Weber, S. B. Jones, A. J. Stokes, Dr. H. Baer, F. A. Connor and W. K. Blake.

Question XX. called, and the characters of the Elders of the Charleston, Orangeburg, Columbia, Sumter, Florence, and Marion districts passed.

Adjourned with the benediction.

THURSDAY—SECOND DAY.

COLUMBIA, S. C., December 13th, 1877.

Conference convened at 9.30 A. M. Devotional exercises by J. A. Porter.

Roll called, and new arrivals noted.

A. J. Stokes elected Assistant Statistical Secretary.

The semi-centennial sermon, by Rev. Wm. Martin, was requested for publication.

The Memorial Committee was announced as J. T. Wightman, A. M. Shipp and F. M. Kennedy.

Question XX. called, and the characters of the Elders of the Spartanburg, Cokesbury and Greenville districts passed.

Question XVIII. called, and the characters of the superannuate preachers passed.

Question II. called, and seven preachers continued on trial.

Question VII. called, and eleven deacons, of one year, approved.

Adjourned.

FRIDAY—THIRD DAY.

COLUMBIA, S. C., December 14th, 1877.

Conference convened at 9.30. Prayer by A. M. Shipp.

Election of delegates to the ensuing General Conference made the order of the day for to-morrow at 10 A. M.

Collection to defray travelling expenses of delegates to the General Conference ordered to be taken up in March next.

Question IV. called, and six preachers admitted into full connection.

Question VIII. called, and five preachers elected to Deacons' orders.

Question XII. called, and nine preachers elected to Elders' orders.

Two local preachers elected to Deacons' and two to Elders' orders.

Question I. called, and four candidates admitted on trial.

H. A. C. Walker, J. M. Carlisle and S. A. Weber were appointed a Committee on Memorials.

Adjourned.

SATURDAY—FOURTH DAY.

DECEMBER, 15th, 1877.

Conference convened. Prayer by F. M. Kennedy.

Resolution on Retrenchment, by J. M. Carlisle, laid on the table for the present.

The hour for the Special Order having arrived, the following were elected Delegates to the ensuing General Conference, on the first ballot, 68 votes being necessary to a choice:

A. M. Shipp, 92 votes,
W. W. Duncan, 91 votes,
F. M. Kennedy, 88 votes,
H. A. C. Walker, 78 votes,
A. M. Chrietzberg, 78 votes,
S. B. Jones, 69 votes.

The following were elected Lay Delegates on the first ballot, 15 votes being necessary to a choice:

Jas. H. Carlisle, 28 votes,
W. C. McMillan, 28 votes,
T. S. Moorman, 27 votes,
Wm. Stokes, 25 votes,
F. A. Connor, 21 votes,
H. Baer, 19 votes,
C. J. Patterson, 18 votes.

Gov. Hampton was introduced and addressed the Conference.

The second ballot for Clerical Delegates resulted in no election.

On motion, it was resolved, that the four persons receiving the highest number of votes be declared Lay Alternates, resulting in the election of W. K. Blake, J. A. Elkins, J. R. Mood and W. H. Smith.

O. A. Darby was elected Clerical Delegate on the third ballot.

The four receiving the highest number of votes were declared Clerical Alternates, resulting in the election of S. H. Browne, J. W. Kelly, J. T. Wightman and Wm. C. Power.

Adjourned.

MONDAY—FIFTH DAY.

December 17th, 1877.

Devotional exercises by J. W. Kelly.

The Bishop announced the ordination of Deacons and Elders.

Dr. A. H. Redford introduced to and addressed the Conference.

Various reports received and adopted.

Resolutions on retrenchment by W. C. Power being offered, it was moved by T. G. Herbert to lay on the table for the present.

The motion to lay on the table withdrawn by the mover, and renewed by A. M. Chrietzberg.

Newberry was chosen as the seat of the next Conference.

Legal Conference about to hold its session.

The Ecclesiastical Conference adjourned.

TUESDAY—SIXTH DAY.

December 18th, 1877.

Conference met. Prayer by R. P. Franks.

Reports of various committees adopted.

Report of Sunday School Board adopted, and J. T. Wightman, R. C. Oliver, V. C. Dibble and C. Reilley appointed Delegates to the National Sunday School Convention, to be held in Atlanta, Ga., April, 1878.

Resolution of O. A. Darby on Statistical Blanks adopted.

Report of Committee on Minutes adopted, and A. M. Chrietzberg re-elected editor of the same.

S. B. Jones was appointed on Publishing Committee of Southern Christian Advocate.

Resolution of thanks was adopted by a rising vote.

Publication in the Minutes of the Historical Address by A. M. Chrietzberg, ordered.

Memorial services held. Apportionments for 1878 announced. The Minutes of the morning and night sessions read and approved. Appointments for 1878 announced.

The doxology was sung and benediction given by the Bishop, and the Conference adjourned *sine die.*

MEMOIRS.

Rev. WILLIAM HONOUR FLEMMING, D. D.

WRITTEN BY REV. J. A. PORTER.

William Honour Flemming, D. D., was born January 1st, 1821, in the city of Charleston, S. C,, and died April 16th, 1877. He was converted to God, and connected himself with the Methodist Church in early life. In 1841 he was admitted into the South Carolina Conference, and after thirty-six years in the Itinerant Ministry, while stationed at Bethel, in the city of Charleston, and in the very room in which he had been licensed to preach, he contracted the disease, which, superadded to an overworked nervous condition, terminated his life. Brother Flemming was practically acquainted with every kind of work that usually devolved upon a Methodist travelling preacher. For six years he served as a missionary to the colored people in the low country of South Carolina; eight years were spent in circuits; seven in stations; and fourteen in districts. Three times he was chosen by his brethren as a delegate to the General Conference, and was a member of the General Mission Board at the time of his death. In all these relations he was acceptable and useful; his experience was large; his judgment clear; his counsel was judicious and safe. In disposition, he was kind and benevolent; his genial nature won all hearts, both old and young, while his manly, frank, and honorable conduct secured respect and confidence. His sermons were prepared with care, and if not brilliant, they were evangelical and instructive, and his congregations retired with the conviction that they had been listening to a thoughtful and earnest minister of Jesus Christ.

His body lies in Bethel Church yard, beneath a unique and beautiful monument, contributed by his affectionate congregation; while his spirit realizes the sentiment uttered with nearly his last breath; "How nice it will be when we meet up there."

Rev. THOMAS SUMTER DANIEL.

WRITTEN BY REV. R. D. SMART.

Thomas Sumter Daniel was born in Edgefield County, S. C., in the year 1814, and died in Abbeville County, S. C., August 27th, 1877. He was educated at the Cokesbury Conference School, and in February, 1835, entered the travelling connection of the South Carolina Conference, in the twenty-first year of his age.

His first appointment was on the Montgomery Circuit, N. C., which he travelled in connection with the venerable David Derrick. His ministerial service embraced a period of forty-two years—two of which were spent on stations, twenty-three on cir-

cuits, five on missions, ten in the local ranks, one as supernumerary and one as superannuated. He was a man of sterling character—conspicuous for his stern integrity and his exact promptitude. His mental endowments were above the ordinary, but his extreme reticence prevented him from being brought forward to positions for which he was otherwise well qualified. He was exceptionally familiar with the doctrines of the Methodist Church, and an able expounder of the same. His preaching, always pointed and evangelical, was, at times, in demonstration of the spirit and of power. His reading was of a wide range, and perhaps, nothing would be risked in the statement that, at the time of his death, he was one of the best read members of this body. The tenderness of his nature was beautifully exhibited in the unceasing attention with which he ministered to the comfort of an aged mother. It has been said that a Methodist preacher ought always to be ready to preach and to die. It seems that Brother Daniel was ready for either of these. He fell suddenly, but at his post. He was laboring at a protracted meeting in Laurens County. Preached on Sabbath afternoon with unwonted power. Left the Church Monday morning cheerful and happy, but had scarcely reached his house when he was smitten with sun-stroke, and in thirty minutes his spirit had departed. No one was present except his old servant, who tells us that he passed away shouting the triumphs of the Lord Jesus Christ. His remains were interred, by request, at Salem Church, Greenwood Circuit, beside the ashes of his sainted mother, who had not long preceded him to the spirit land. A pious man, an affectionate son, a modest, faithful herald of the cross of Christ, has fallen from our ranks. We cannot but mourn our loss, but our grief is chastened by the remembrance that it is his eternal gain.

"His toils are past, his work is done,
And he is fully blessed,
He fought the fight, the victory won,
And entered into rest."

Rev. RUFUS RANDOLPH PEGUES.

BY REV. T. MITCHELL.

Rufus Randolph Pegues was born in Marlboro', S. C., February 6, 1830. His ancestors were an industrious and thrifty race, who had been identified with that section of the state from its earliest settlement His own father was like Cornelius, "a devout man, and one that feared God, with all his house, which gave much alms to the people, and prayed to God always." Our sainted brother was brought up in the midst of the most benign influences of our holy religion, having the good example of his pious parents ever before his eyes.

He came into the Church in early life and was converted under the ministry of Brother D J. Simmons, of whom he spoke with great gratitude and affection on his dying bed. He was graduated at Randolph Macon College, in Virginia, and soon after his return home, entered, in 1855, the Methodist ministry, in the South Carolina Conference. If our dear departed friend had been ambitious of ease, honor, or worldly success, he would have turned his attention elsewhere. He had, indeed, all the elements of success, a

solid, practical mind, a good education, a fine person, agreeable manners and a comfortable fortune. But when he was satisfied that God had called him to the work of the holy ministry he was not disobedient to the heavenly vision, but gave himself up to the work with a single purpose to glorify God and save souls He was connected with this body of ministers for twenty-two years, and took his appointments everywhere in our territory, from the mountains to the sea. No man amongst us has ever sustained a more unsullied reputation. Such was the purity of his life, and such the unselfish devotion of his time, talents and property, to the great work of human salvation, that he possessed the unbounded confidence and respect of all classes of the people where he labored. In humility, in modesty, in generosity, in benevolence, who of us is like him ? The beautiful devotion of our departed brother's life to the cause of God, reminds of the words of the seraphic Thos. Walsh, in the days of Mr. Wesley : " Thou knowest, O Lord, that there never was one of thy servants upon earth whom I do not desire to resemble in doing and suffering thy whole will. I would walk with thee, my God, as Enoch did. I would follow thee into an unknown country, as Abraham did, and I would give up all for thee as did Moses and Paul."

For seventeen years our departed brother answered to the roll-call in this body of ministers ; but five years ago, in the midst of laborious evangelistic efforts in the town of Marion. his powerful frame suddenly gave way, and had fastened upon it an incurable disease which baffled and defied all the skill of the healing art. Hitherto our dear friend had found his religion a powerful stimulus to action, and a beautiful embellishment of life. Now he had to test its power to support him in the midst of affliction, and finally in the agonies of death. He was not disappointed. We found him calm, collected, and peaceful. He commissioned the writer to bear to his brethren the last messages of his undying affection. " When my name is called, tell the brethren, I thought of them and prayed for them." On the 17th of October he became worse, and it was evident that the catastrophe had at last come. He was ready, and in the midst of his family and friends fell asleep in Jesus. The beautiful lines of Sir Walter Scott describe the character of this good man.

" Far may we search, before we find,
A heart so manly and so kind;
But not around his honored urn,
Do friends alone and kindred mourn.
The thousand eyes his care had dried,
Pour at his name a bitter tide;
And frequent falls the grateful dew
For benefits the world ne'er knew.
If mortal charity dare claim
Th' Almighty's attributed name—
Then write above his mouldering clay
The widow's shield, the orphan's stay."

Bishop ENOCH MATHER MARVIN, D. D.

Rev. ALBERT TAYLOR BLEDSOE, L. L. D.

Rev. JAMES ARMSTRONG DUNCAN, D. D.

BY REV. J. T. WIGHTMAN.

Whereas, in the inscrutable wisdom of the Great Head of the Church, several eminent ministers of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, have been recently removed by death, from their fields of labor and of usefulness in our common Zion, and whereas the South Carolina Conference desires to cherish close connectioned bond of sympathy between the Conferences,

Resolved, That the Conference unites with the Church throughout these lands in expressions of profound sorrow, yet of humble submission to the Divine will in the removal of these holy men, and that while we cherish the sure hope they will be restored again at "the glorious appearing of the Lord."

Resolved, That we will endeavor to hold in reverence the memory, and to emulate the holy example of our beloved Bishop, Enoch Mather Marvin, D. D., whose urbane manners, whose catholic spirit, whose ministerial power and administrative ability, whose saintly piety, and whose extended sphere of influence and usefulness made him a shining light in the Church, and a man to be respected, honored and beloved, at whose death in the prime of manhood, we the members of the South Carolina Conference most sincerely express our heartfelt grief.

Resolved further, That we express our sense of deep sorrow at the great loss which the Church has sustained in the recent death of that eminent scholar and theologian, the Rev. Albert Taylor Bledsoe, L. L. D., Editor of the Southern Review, the champion of the Church, whose erudition, whose profound love of truth, whose faith in God, whose massive intellect commanded the respect of every man.

Resolved further, That we ask to unite with our sister Conferences in Virginia in expressions of poignant grief in the loss of the Rev. James Armstrong Duncan, D. D, who for so many years was identified with the educational institutions of the Church, whose genial spirit and high mental endowments, whose ardent, but uniform piety, whose happy influence and opening field of religious usefulness drew us to him, a brother respected and beloved, as if he were a member of our Conference.

Resolved, That in the removal of these faithful stewards of the Church, the South Carolina Conference expresses alike its condolence, in common with our smitten Zion, and its sympathy with the bereaved families, by unanimously adopting these preambles and resolutions, and by imploring the Father of all Mercies graciously to sanctify this dispensation of his Providence.

Resolved, That a copy of this paper be sent to the respective families of the deceased brethren.

J. T. WIGHTMAN.
A. M. SHIPP.
F. M. KENNEDY.

IV.

MISSIONARY REPORTS.

BOARD OF MANAGERS DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

Thomas Mitchell, President; C. H. Pritchard, First Vice-President; D. J. Simmons, Second Vice-President; J. A. Mood, Third Vice-President; S. A. Weber, Secretary; Thomas Raysor, Treasurer; T. E. Wannamaker, Assistant Treasurer. Managers—J. W. Kelly, James C. Stoll, J. H. Zimmerman, W. A. Clarke, J. W. McRoy, A. J. Stokes. Lay—N. F. Kirkland, J. F. Carraway, J. W. Kinsley, F. A. Connor, L. J. Crum, and Presiding Elders, *ex-officio*.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE 1. This Board shall consist of a President, and three Vice-Presidents, a Secretary, a Treasurer, and twelve Managers, who shall be members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, six of whom shall be laymen, and be elected quadrennially by the South Carolina Conference, but should the Conference fail to meet at the appointed time the Board shall continue in office till the election, or appointment of its successors.

ARTICLE 2. The Board shall have power to make regulations for its own proceedings, to appropriate money to the support of the missions embraced in the bounds of the Conference, and to defray incidental expenses, together with the Report of the action of the Board annually, and make such recommendations for the contraction or discontinuance of Missions to the Conference, as it may seem proper.

ARTICLE 3. Seven members at all meetings of the Board shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE 4. The Board shall keep a journal of all its proceedings and the minutes of each meeting shall be signed by the presiding officer and the Secretary.

ARTICLE 5. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to journalize the proceedings of the Board, to conduct its correspondence, to prepare and superintend, as far as possible, the publication of proceedings and Annual Report in the minutes, and otherwise, as the Board or Conference may direct.

ARTICLE 6. The Treasurer shall hold all moneys of the Board in his possession in safe deposits, with such instructions as the Board may direct, and in absence of such direction, as he may judge safe and convenient, which deposits shall be made by him as an officer of the Board, and subject to his drafts as such, and his successors in office. He shall furnish an Annual Report to be published with the Annual Report of the Secretary, and also amount received for Foreign Missionary Board.

ARTICLE 7. In case of vacancy in the Board, it shall proceed to nominate, and the Conference to elect, if they choose, till the Board be full.

ARTICLE 8. The Board shall meet at the call of the President, or Vice-President, at the seat of the South Carolina Conference, on the day preceding the first day of the first session of said Conference, provided it be not on Sunday. In that case it shall meet on the Saturday before.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

The Board of Managers of the Missionary Society of the South Carolina Conference beg leave to submit the following Report: They have had under careful consideration the missionary work and interests of the Society and

the Conference, and submit, with pleasure and gratitude to the great Head of the Church, the following digest of our Missionary operations for the past year:

In the Charleston District it was resolved, after mature consideration, to discontinue for the present our Mission work at Summerville. The territory of the Summerville Circuit and Mission, not embraced in the town of Summerville, is recommended to be organized into the St. Paul's Mission, to which a small appropriation is recommended.

The Cainhoy Circuit and Mission, and the Hardeeville Circuit and Mission, were continued as proper missionary ground, and a reduced appropriation recommended for their support. There are hopeful indications that before long these charges will be self-sustaining.

In the Orangeburg District, the Aiken Mission is on rising ground. Our congregations are improving in size and interest. The Sunday-school is in excellent condition. The membership of the Church is slightly increased. The missionary has unavoidably lived out of the bounds of his work. It is thought, with a resident missionary, Aiken will soon be able to support its own pastor, without the help of the mission funds of the Conference. There is a promising field for mission work a few miles to the east of Aiken, where we have occasional preaching, and where the erection of a church has been in contemplation.

The Graniteville and Langley Mission has never been in better condition. The necessity of its continuance as missionary ground, in the judgment of the Board, no longer exists, and no appropriation is recommended for its support the coming year.

The Edisto Mission has been discontinued. The missionary for the past several years has reported but eight members, and the present year but twelve. The membership can be easily absorbed in the adjoining Circuits.

In the Sumter District, Richland Fork Circuit and Mission, and Zoar Circuit and Mission, were continued, with reduced appropriations for their support. A new mission (Kershaw), between Camden and Bishopville, is recommended.

In the Florence District, a most creditable and encouraging advance has been made. Last year we appropriated $2,700 to support this work; this year we recommend only $300. The mission feature of the Florence Station, the Black River, Gourdin, and Sampit Circuits, was abolished. The Society Hill Mission was discontinued. The Lynch's Creek Circuit and Mission was continued, with the same appropriation as last year.

In the Marion District, the Pee Dee Circuit and Mission, Waccamaw Circuit and Mission, Little River Circuit and Mission, Conwayboro' Circuit and Mission, were continued, with reduced appropriations.

In the Greenville District, Anderson Circuit and Mission, Pickens Circuit and Mission, Oconee Circuit and Mission, Westminster Circuit and Mission, were continued as such, and reduced appropriations were made for their support. This Piedmont section of our Conference and State has been wonderfully developed in the past few years. The whole District, much of which has been missionary ground, bids fair at an early day to become entirely self-sustaining. A large advance in this direction has been made the past year. The Board recommend the formation of a new mission on territory lying between Belton and the Saluda River, to be called Belton Mission.

A new mission is recommended in the Spartanburg District (Providence Mission), near the town of Spartanburg, on the line of the Spartanburg, Union, and Columbia Railroad. The Board voted an appropriation to Limestone Springs Circuit, looking to the opening up of new work between Limestone Springs and Broad River; and also an appropriation to Black Station Circuit, with the recommendation that these charges be called the Limestone Springs Circuit and Mission, and Black Station Circuit and Mission.

In reducing so materially the appropriations for our mission work, the

Board feel it due to say that their interest and zeal in missionary enterprise and work of the Church has suffered no abatement whatsoever. They have in every case recommended what in their judgment was necessary to the demands of the work. With these reduced appropriations, we confidently appeal to the Church for every cent of the assessment for Domestic Missions for the coming year.

Respectfully submitted.

SAUMEL A. WEBER, *Secretary Board.*

AGGREGATE FOR DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

Charleston District		$433 18
Orangeburg	"	516 97
Columbia	"	546 25
Sumter	"	334 49
Florence	"	384 13
Marion	"	599 65
Spartanburg	"	462 55
Cokesbury	"	571 60
Greenville	"	390 50
Balance from last settlement		10 21
Donation by Mrs. W. M. Kennedy		10 00
One-half Anniversary Collection		160 00
Grand Total		$4,519 45

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By amount paid Charleston District		$ 586 50	
" " " Orangeburg	"	816 00	
" " " Sumter	"	357 00	
" " " Florence	"	1,377 00	
" " " Marion	"	484 00	
" " " Greenville	"	867 00	$4,488 00
Balance in Treasury			$31 45

Settlement at 51 per cent. THOS. RAYSOR, *Treasurer.*

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

AGGREGATE FROM THE SEVERAL DISTRICTS.

Charleston District		$235 60
Orangeburg	"	257 10
Columbia	"	253 15
Sumter	"	216 25
Florence	"	197 40
Marion	"	280 50
Spartanburg	"	210 00
Cokesbury	"	317 70
Greenville	"	169 10
One-half Anniversary Collection		160 00
Special for Mexico		25 00
Grand Total		$2,321 80

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Paid J. W. Manier	$344 00
	$1,977 80

V.

GENERAL REPORTS.

I.—REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

The Committee on Education beg leave respectfully to submit the following report:

We have had under consideration the Educational interests and enterprises of the Conference, and are as fully as ever convinced of the importance of Christian Education, and of the necessity upon us to foster and protect our institutions of learning. We must provide for the culture of the youth of our Church, for the double purpose of conserving their highest spiritual and intellectual good, and of retaining them within the bounds of our own Communion. Education may be of great service to us, or it may be a curse. The education that loses sight of the development of our spiritual susceptibilities may be but an instrument of mischief. That which controls and censures our moral character, under the influence of the Divine Spirit and of grace, is of inestimable value.

We call your attention to your institutions within the bounds of the Conference.

WOFFORD COLLEGE.

The first session of this, the twenty-fourth year of Wofford College, opened on Monday, October 1st, all the Professors being present, to enter upon their respective duties. Some changes in the Course of Study have been made, which it is believed are producing good results. The Faculty have made more efficient the Course of Study selected by those who are not able or willing to pursue a regular Classical Course. To accomplish this, they have by no means weakened the usual curriculum. On the contrary, this department has been materially strengthened by these new features. Perhaps the College has never had three months of more successful study, or of more quiet deportment than those last past. There are in attendance in the four College classes seventy-seven students, being one more than the highest number reached during the last Collegiate year. In the Introductory Classes there are thirty students. The venerable Professor David Duncan has kindly consented to continue in charge of the Greek Testament of the Senior Class. It will interest the Conference to learn, that, in the Freshman Class, which is reported by President Carlisleto be one of unusual promise, there are nine sons of Methodist ministers. Besides these, there are in the Freshman Class two young men, over twenty-one years of age, who propose to enter the ministry. These items suggest two important services which your Institution may render, if it receives the necessary support from those who directly or indirectly receive the benefits. Prof. W. W. Duncan, the Financial Agent of the College, makes an encouraging report of his operations. President Carlisle, in his report to the Board of Trustees, says: "The Faculty will heartily join in any efforts which your Board may propose, to enlarge the facilities and resources of the Institution, committed by the Church to your care and ours. Your Committee feel like congratulating the Conference on what these noble, self-sacrificing men have done and are doing in the great work of sanctified learning They confidently

appeal to the Church, represented in this body, for a liberal patronage, for the devisement of means to supplement the poorly paid salaries of the Faculty, and for the early and sufficient endowment of the College. We respectfully recommend the election on the Board of Trustees Dr. Wofford, in the place of Henry Wofford, deceased, and the election of D. B. Duncan in the place of R W. Boyd, Esq., resigned. We furthermore respectfully recommend an appropriation by this Conference of $3,000 for the relief of the necessities of Wofford College.

Board of Trustees.—Rev. Bishop Wm. M. Wightman, D. D., Samuel A. Weber, H A. C. Walker, Wm. Martin, Wm. P. Mouzon, Henry M. Mood, Wm. C. Power, S. Bobo, Dr. Wofford, J. W. Williams, W. K. Blake, Spencer Rice, and Hon. D. R. Duncan.

COLUMBIA FEMALE COLLEGE.

The Columbia Female College is under the administration of President J. L. Jones, assisted by a full and efficient Faculty. It opened under the present administration, under almost unparalleled difficulty, October 1st, 1876. The whole State had become a political cauldron, whose centre was in Columbia, the seat of the College. Parents were afraid to send their daughters away from home to Columbia. The extreme of the financial difficulty of the times was especially felt by the College. False reports obtained currency through parts of the State to its detriment. It had to contend with strong competition. It addition to all of these it had to carry a heavy debt at large rates of interest. But notwithstanding the unfavorable auspices under which it begun, and the difficulties with which it had to contend, it gives us great pleasure to report, that the College has advanced steadily in patronage, and in all educational and material success. This is due very largely to the ability, devotion and self-sacrifice of the President and his Faculty.

The standard of education is as high and the training is as efficient in the College as in any like institution in the South. Seven languages are here taught, and the pupils are required to study Latin and French without extra charge. In addition to the regular literary course, the department of Calesthenics, Kindergarten and Telegraphy have been added. The management of the Domestic Department meets the most hearty approval of the Board of Trustees. President Jones is as a father to a large family of daughters, and Mrs. Jones as a Matron is eminently qualified for her relation to the pupils. All has been done that could be or have been done for the success of the College, and the result has been gratifying.

The College, however, is burdened with a debt at rates of interest so large as to require $1,400 to meet the interest accruing annually. During the past year, after meeting the material wants of the College, the Board of Trustees could not pay a dollar of the interest, and could only command $2,600 to pay the salaries of the President and the seven teachers connected with the Faculty. In hope of a better day for the College, the President and his seven teachers accepted the small amount paid them without further claim upon the College. The part of the Educational Collection of the present year assigned to the College will be applied to the reduction of the interest now due upon the College bonds. The Board of Trustees have made arrangements to meet the current expenses of the College for the ensuing year, and the interest of the bonds falling due. But this can only be done by the strictest economy and patience on the part of the administration, and the most earnest efforts on the part of all the preachers and people to secure a liberal patronage. The Board entertain the hope of consolidating their bonds at a lower rate of interest, and thereby lessening the annual financial demands. Taking, however, the most favorable view of the financial condition of the College, a sinking fund is needed; but owing to the financial

pressure upon the Church, we do not recommend an appropriation by the Conference for the present year.

We commend the College to the confidence and patronage of all our people.

We recommend that Rev. J. W. Dickson be appointed by the Bishop to a Professorship in the College, and that L. Wood, R. L. Harper and R. N. Wells be appointed a Visiting Committee at the Commencement of the College

As in the announcement of the Board of Trustees of the College, at the last session of the Conference, the names of several members of the Board were inadvertently omitted. We recommend the insertion of the names by an action of the Conference. They are the Presiding Elder of the Columbia District, and the pastors of the Washington and Marion Street Churches in Columbia, who are ex-officio members of the Board.

Board of Trustees.—Rev. J. T. Wightman, Rev. J. M. Carlisle, Rev. A. J. Stokes, Rev. A. Coke Smith, Rev. T. G. Herbert, Rev. C. H. Pritchard, Rev. A. J. Cauthen. Laymen: J. C. Dial, J. P. Southern, R. D. Senn, J. P. Kinard, W. H. Harden, H. S. Wright. The Presiding Elder of the Columbia District and pastors of Washington and Marion Street Churches ex-officio members of the Board.

COKESBURY SCHOOL.

The Cokesbury Conference School has been in successful operation during the past year, under the tuition of Professor Geo. C. Hodges. Forty-seven students were matriculated during the year. The Trustees have elected Professor J. P. Pritchard, A. M., to take charge of the School; and the eighty-third session of this time-honored Institution will begin the 14th of January, 1878. The location is easily accessible, being on the line of the Greenville and Columbia Railroad; proverbially healthy; free from dram shops and other demoralizing influences. The school building is large and commodious, being three stories high, and is in good repair. The tin roof was blown off by a storm last year, and the Trustees were compelled to borrow money to renew the roof. The Institution owes only about $175, which should be provided for in some way.

We recommend the election of the following Trustees: the Presiding Elder of the Cokesbury District, the pastors of the Cokesbury and Abbeville stations, and of the Cokesbury and Greenwood circuits, ex-officio: Dr. F. F. Gary, B. Z. Herndon, W. T. McGee and F. A. Conner.

We recommend the appointment of Albert M. Shipp to Vanderbilt University, and Samuel Lander to the Presidency of Williamston College, (Female). We recommend Henry M. Mood to preach the sermon before the Undergraduates of the next Conference.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

SAMUEL A. WEBER, *Chairman.*

II.—REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BOOKS AND PERIODICALS.

To the South Carolina Conference of the M. E. Church South:

Your Committee on Books and Periodicals submit the following report:

The circulation of our Church literature is essential to the promotion of intelligent piety among our members, and is a matter that cannot be overestimated in its importance. Yet it is a cause of much regret, that while so many and valuable books and periodicals are published and offered by our Church, through her different agencies, there are but comparatively few who buy and read them.

The Southern Christian Advocate is the only accredited organ of our Conference, and is conducted in a manner suitable to its great purpose. It should ever be recognized in its true representative character, and receive that liberal patronage which a large and intelligent body like this should bestow upon its organ. It comes to us week after week, as an old, familiar friend, and is so entertaining and instructive that it cannot be dispensed with by our people.

In the death of the great thinker, our lamented Dr. Bledsoe, our Church has suffered an irreparable loss. *The Southern Review* supplies a great want of our Church; by its scholarly and independent exposition and defence of Methodist doctrine and polity, it has done much to educate and confirm the connection in religious truth. Such a periodical is necessary to the welfare of truth and Methodism. Your committee are gratified to learn that this *Review* will be continued for the present, and will contain matter prepared by Dr. Bledsoe. It should be perpetuated.

The *Nashville Christian Advocate*, so ably conducted by Dr. Summers, forms a connectional bond of union among our Southern Conferences, which is of great importance.

Our Sunday School periodicals and papers, under the management of Dr. Cunningham, largely supply the want of our Sunday Schools. The Sunday School literature is of vast importance to the future of the Church, and is, perhaps, the most difficult department of Church literature to manage. Dr. Cunningham needs special help and encouragement in his great and trying work.

It is impossible to speak with definiteness of the books of the publishing house. Your committee would, however, state that there continue to this day the repeated complaints against the price of the books generally and the subject matter of many of them furnished for Sunday School libraries.

Your committee offer the following resolutions:

1. *Resolved*, That we welcome among us Dr. Kennedy, the able editor of the *Southern Christian Advocate*, and urge renewed effort on the part of the preachers and people to increase the patronage of this old and loved journal of our Methodism, as the sole organ of our Conference.

2. That this Conference urge the next General Conference to provide, if possible, for the continuance and establishment of the *Southern Review*.

3. That we appreciate the faithful and efficient services of Dr. Cunningham, in his management of the Sunday School magazines and papers, and call upon the Conference at large to give him all the encouragement they can.

4. That we highly appreciate the *Nashville Advocate* and its noble editor, Dr. Summers, and recommend its general circulation throughout our Conference.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS S. MOORMAN, *Chairman*.

III.—REPORT OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD.

"Suffer little children to come unto me," said the Master, and the Church, ever slow to perceive the exceeding breadth of the Divine commands, was content to invest them with the sign and seal of the Covenant as the maximum of her responsibilities, while their indoctrination into the obligations and full investiture with the privileges of that Covenant, were strangely overlooked or supinely ignored. Unheeding the Master's call—failing to perceive the wondrous possibilities of childhood—the formative period of mind and heart—the Church unconsciously ignored one of the most potent instrumentalities at her command for the enlargement of the Redeemer's

Kingdom, and failed to enter one of the most inviting and productive fields of Christian labor. But now all this is changed. There is a growing conviction and corresponding appreciation of the magnitude of her responsibilities in this Divine investiture of guardianship over the lambs of the fold. It ought to be matter of gratulation and profound thanksgiving to God that the success of the Sunday School movement is no longer problematical. Each successive year enlarges the boundaries of its usefulness and multiplies the Heaven-accredited testimonials of the grandeur and perpetuity of its mission. It has created a noble literature, awakened boundless enthusiasm throughout the realms of Christendom, and opened wide channels for the outflow of Christian zeal, activity and enterprise, which must otherwise have slumbered in inactivity or perished in stagnation. To the children it has been of immeasureable benefit, and to the whole Church an inspiration and benediction. The amplitude of its resources and magnitude of the interests involved in this institution, entitle it to the earnest, patient and thorough consideration of both clergy and laity. The one great question is, how to develop and utilize its measureless capabilities. Thorough and universal identification of the membership of our Church with this department of Christian effort, is a desideratum towards which the efforts of the preachers should be patiently and unceasingly directed. This accomplished, then we shall behold the advent of a new era—an era characterized by broader, more intelligent and comprehensive views of Christian duty and obligation, and consequent enlargement of the benevolent impulses and enterprises of the Church. The Sunday School furnishes opportunity for the preachers to put themselves in loving, efficient pastoral communication with the children, and to identify them with the great missionary movements of the day. And Sabbath School instruction may be the means of solving financial problems that have sorely perplexed and troubled our Israel. Indeed, so manifest and great are the advantages embodied in this institution, that no church should be considered complete in its organization without a well organized and thoroughly furnished Sunday School.

We aim in the Sunday School to make our children intelligent Christians. This can only be accomplished by the study of God's word. Exposition and enforcement of its saving truths—the doctrinal, experimental and practical in the religion of our Lord Jesus Christ must have the pre-eminence in Sabbath School instruction.

While the Romish hierarchy, aided by a venal press and time-serving politicians, seeks to drive the Bible from our common schools, let that Bible be all the more profoundly reverenced and diligently studied; and in pulpit and Sunday School be held up before a perishing world as the Magna Charta of personal, civil and religious liberty.

There is profoundly encouraging significance in the fact that so large a proportion of converts in our revivals come from the Sunday School.

The Board recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

1. *Resolved,* That being as much as ever impressed with the importance of the Sunday School work, we renew our pledges to continue our interest in, and labor for its promotion.

2. That we urge upon all our people, interest in the Sunday School, and that, as far as practicable, they identify themselves therewith in some way.

3. That while we endorse our Sunday School publications and recommend them to our schools and people, we also declare and emphasize our conviction that we have unwisely allowed the Catechism, in most places, to go out of use among us, and urge a return to its use, particularly among the smaller children, that they may have the benefit of the formulation of truth so desirable in the instruction of the young.

Respectfully submitted,

J. M. CARLISLE, *Chairman.*

IV.—REPORT ON BIBLE CAUSE.

Notwithstanding the long continued and vigorous efforts of the American Bible Society to place a copy of the Sacred Scriptures in every family in our State, it is believed there are not a few still without the Bible.

May not this lie, at least in part, because the Church has not done her full duty in this important work?

The Bible is the word of God. Many centuries of active and powerful opposition to the truths therein contained, have but the more fully established them in the minds and hearts of all good men. God's word *must* prevail. We do not fear the result of the most searching criticism.

Resolved 1st. That it is of paramount importance that all our people form habits of daily Bible reading, and that we will urge this practice upon them by precept and example.

Resolved 2d. That in all our charges we will diligently search out those families destitute of Bibles, and as far as possible supply them.

Resolved 3d. That we recommend the general distribution of the Scriptures among the freedmen.

T. G. HERBERT.
D. J. McMILLAN.
JAMES NORTON.

V.—REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

The Committee to whom was referred the subject of Temperance, beg leave to submit the following report:

We have carefully and prayerfully considered the subject, and regard it as one of no ordinary magnitude and importance. We can command no language sufficient to depict the evils arising from the immoderate use of intoxicating drinks. It is the fruitful source of poverty, crime, and degradation. Moderate drinking is the sure and certain fountain from which emanates the confirmed habit of drunkenness with all its concomitant evils; hence the necessity of total abstinence. This the Church requires of her members; but there are hundreds not connected with the Church who are annually falling victims to this destructive habit. These, it appears to us, may be reached and saved from this fearful evil by the societies organized to effect a temperance reform, of whose work in this direction we heartily approve.

Resolved 1st. That as a Conference, we are as much as ever impressed with the evils of intemperance.

Resolved 2d. That we encourage the organization of Temperance Societies, and that we will co-operate with them as far as practicable to suppress intemperance.

Respectfully submitted, S. P. H. ELWELL, *Chairman.*

VI.—REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MINUTES.

The Committee on the Minutes feel gratified in being able to report so large an advance in the collections for Minutes on former years. We have in hand $355 66. We would recommend the assessment plan for the next year, and that the Presiding Elders be charged with this collection. We think the thanks of the Conference are due Rev. A. M. Chrietzberg, for the able and excellent manner in which he has performed his duties as editor and publisher, and we hereby recommend and nominate him as editor and publisher for the Minutes of the present session.

A. J. CAUTHEN, *Chairman.*

VII.—REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MEMORIALS TO GENERAL CONFERENCE, DECEMBER, 1877.

The Committee on Memorials to the General Conference respectfully report that they have had under consideration the several papers referred to them, and recommend:

1. That the Delegates from this Conference to the General Conference be, and hereby are, directed to move in that body an examination of the complaints against the price and character of the books issued by our publishing house.

2. That it is deemed advisable that the first sentence in answer 1, Discipline, p. 122, should remain as it is, with the insertion of the word *even* between "where" and "ten," and after "ten" the word *persons* instead of "children," so as to read: "Let Sunday-schools be formed in all our congregations, where even ten persons can be collected for that purpose."

3 That rules be made by the General Convention providing studies for applicants for license to preach, and for applicants of local preachers for Orders, and for transferring to the District Conference the licensing men to preach, and recommending preachers for entrance into the itinerancy; *provided*, that no one shall be recommended for entrance into the itinerancy who has not preached for at least one year preceding.

H. A. C. WALKER, *Chairman.*

VIII.—REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON THE PUBLISHING HOUSE.

The Committee to whom was referred the appeal of the Agent of the Publishing House for relief, and sundry other papers, beg leave to report: That the present embarrassment of the Publishing House is a matter of serious moment, and that upon the action of the Church during the next ninety days, largely depends the solution of the almost vital question, shall our Publishing House, with its valuable property and franchises, be a total loss to the Church?

The causes of this embarrassment do not come within the scope of this report, but your Committee is satisfied that they are in large measure to be traced to the results of the war, and the general financial depression of the past six years. Passing by the causes that have produced these results, your Committee finds itself confronted with the stubborn fact that the house must have $34,000 from the Church within the next ninety days, or the property is finally lost to us. Of this amount about $1,400 is the assessment upon the South Carolina Conference.

With this fact before it, your Committee is shut up to the necessity of a single recommendation, which is embodied in the following resolution:

Resolved, By the South Carolina Annual Conference, that the amounts assessed upon the different charges during the past summer, must be raised during the next ninety days, and that for this purpose collections shall be taken up in all the charges during the month of February, and pressed upon the notice and liberality of our people until the deficit is fully met.

Respectfully,

SAML. B. JONES, *Chairman.*

IX.—REPORT OF JOINT BOARD OF FINANCE.

The Joint Board of Finance beg leave respectfully to report to the Conference that the preachers have collected for the Bishops' support seven hundred and fifty-one dollars, which pays our assessment for that purpose in full.

We paid to Bishop Wightman, at the District Conferences, $251 15
To Bishop Doggett 498 85
——— $750 00

We assessed, at our last Conference in Chester, for the relief of the superannuated preachers, and widows and orphans, six thousand dollars; of which there was collected only four thousand two hundred and fifty-eight dollars, or about seventy per cent. of the assessment. Two years ago we estimated for this noble benevolence seven thousand dollars. But the collections falling below the estimate, we dropped down to six thousand dollars. We have fallen below this sum just as we did when the assessment was higher. It seems that a certain number of the preachers will not bring up this collection. Your Board believe that if the amount asked for should be brought down to one-eighth of the sum usually apportioned, still it would not be reached. Nobody goes above the assessment, and many fall below it. This year we have dropped the estimate from six thousand dollars (what it was last year) to five thousand dollars, and we earnestly beg the brethren not to fail one dollar in this collection. We would suggest to all the brethren to add to their assessments for Conference collection ten per cent., to make up for the negligence or poverty of some of our charges. The sum estimated for Conference collection in 1878, is five thousand dollars. All of which, with the accompanying appropriations to the claimants, made with much care, is respectfully submitted.

THOS. MITCHELL,
Chairman Joint Board of Finance.

Columbia, S. C., Dec. 18th, 1877.

APPROPRIATIONS JOINT BOARD OF FINANCE FOR 1877.

D. Derrick	$150 00	Mrs. C. S. Walker	$125 00
W. C. Patterson and wife	90 00	Mrs. Bond English	125 00
E. J. Pennington, wife and three children	160 00	Mrs. L. Bunch	100 00
L. Scarboro and wife	140 00	Mrs. W. A. Hemingway	75 00
Mrs. A. L. Smith and two children	140 00	Mrs. T. A. Turpin	90 00
Mrs. H. H. Durant	115 00	Mrs. J. R. Pickett	60 00
Mrs. W. A. Gamewell and child	135 00	Mrs. F. Rush	75 00
Mrs S. W. Townsend	75 00	Mrs. A. B. McGilvray	50 00
Child of E. N Lemond	20 00	Mrs. C. Thomason and child	125 00
Mrs. W. C. Kirkland	125 00	Mrs. Chas. Betts	90 00
Mrs. W. M. Kennedy	75 00	Rev. Jno. Watts	150 00
Mrs. E. G. Gage and child	100 00	Daughter of Rev. C Wilson	75 00
Mrs. A. W. Walker	125 00	Rev. D. D. Byars	100 00
Mrs. C. McLeod	90 00	Rev. M. A. Connolly and family	100 00
Mrs. S. W. Capers	125 00	Mrs. R. R. Pegues and children	150 00
Mrs. R. J. Boyd	100 00	Mrs. E. L King	25 00
Mrs. J. D. W. Crook	50 00	Mrs. Jas. Stacy	100 00
Mrs. Jas. L Belin	110 00	Mrs. J. C. Miller	25 00
Mrs. A. P. Martin	10 00	Rev. J. W. Townsend	90 00
Mrs. J. N. Davis	90 00	Rev. J. R Coburn and wife	160 00
Mrs. T. R. Walsh	115 00	Rev. A. Nettless	160 00
		Mrs. J. Lee Dickson	18 15

X.—ASSESSMENTS ON THE SEVERAL DISTRICTS FOR 1878.

	Conference Collection	Bishops.	Foreign Missions.	Domestic Missions.	Education.	Minutes.	Publishing House.	Expenses of Delegates to General Conference
Charleston District	$715	$112	$416	$858	$429	$57	$357	$50
Orangeburg District	450	70	271	540	270	36	224	30
Columbia District	728	115	423	874	437	58	363	55
Sumter District	559	90	327	672	336	44	279	40
Florence District	475	76	277	570	285	38	238	35
Marion District	540	86	315	648	324	43	270	35
Spartanburg District	455	74	266	546	273	36	228	30
Cokesbury District	623	95	350	748	374	51	317	45
Greenville District	455	72	265	748	273	37	228	30

(Signed) THOMAS MITCHELL,
Chairman Joint Board Finance.

VI.

CONDENSED MINUTES.

Minutes of the South Carolina Conference of the M. E. Church, South, held at Columbia, S. C., beginning December 12th, 1877, ending December 18th, 1877. Bishop David S. Doggett, President; William C. Power, Secretary.

Ques. 1. Who are admitted on trial? James Simons Meynardie, John William Tarbourx, James S. Porter, John Thomas Pate.—4.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? R. Herbert Jones, Erwin G. Price, Allison B. Lee, Thomas E. Gilbert, Armand C. LeGette, H. Bascom Browne, William P. Meadors.—7.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? Joseph F. Mozingo, LeGrand G. Walker.—2.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? D. Zimmerman Dantzler, Arthur C. Walker, Whitefoord S. Martin. Benjamin M. Boozer, James W. Ariail, Thornbury P. Phillips.—6.

Ques. 5. Who are re-admitted? Hugh W. Whitaker.—1.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? None.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? John L. Stokes, Felix Hartin, William W. Williams, Murdoch M. Ferguson, Anderson W. Jackson, James W. Wolling, Edward M. Merritt, Junius J. Neville, William H. Ariail, Jephtha C. Counts, Samuel D. Vaughan.—11.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? D. Zimmerman Dantzler, Arthur C. Walker, Benjamin M. Boozer, James W. Ariail, Thornbury P. Phillips.—5.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? D. Zimmerman Dantzler, Arthur C. Walker, Benjamin M. Boozer, James W. Ariail, Thornbury P. Phillips.—5.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? Henry Glencamps, William H. Thacker.—2.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? Willliam H. Thacker, James M Kirton.—2.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? M. Hutchinson Pooser, G. Walton Whitman, Hilliard F. Chrietzberg, William H. Kirton, LeRoy F. Beaty, John O. Willson, James C. Bissell, John E. Carlisle, James C. Davis.—9

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? M. Hutchinson Pooser, G. Watson Whitman, Hilliard F. Chrietzberg, William H. Kirton, LeRoy F. Beaty, John O. Willson, James C. Davis, John E. Carlisle, James C. Bissell.—6.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? James Floyd, Wright Wilson.—2.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? James Floyd, Wright Wilson.—2.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? Edgar L. Archer, LeRoy F. Beaty.—2.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? John R. Little, John A. Wood, Robert C. Oliver.—3.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? David Derrick, John Watts, Joel W. Townsend, Minton A. Connolly, William C. Patterson, David D. Byars, Edward J. Pennington, John R. Coburn, John Finger —9.

Ques. 19 What preachers have died during the past year? T. Sumter Daniel, William H. Fleming, R. Randolph Pegues —3.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? This was attended to by calling their names severally before the Conference.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference? White local preachers, 145; colored local preachers, 3; white members, 43,196; colored members, 357. Total, 43,701.

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? White, 1,984; colored, 10—total, 1,994.

Ques 23 How many adults have been baptized during the year? White, 1,387—total, 1,387.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools? 481.

Ques 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 2,788.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? White, 19,301; colored, 260—total, 19.561.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? $5,655.25

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied? $4,190.15, distributed to the claimants, according to their several necessities.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions? Foreign missions, $2,321.80; Domestic missions, $4,519.45—total, $6,841.25.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? At Newberry, S. C

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year? See Article VII.

VII.

APPOINTMENTS FOR 1878.

The first column of figures denotes number of charges. Second column, the number of consecutive years the incumbent has been appointed to the charge. Third column, the number of preachers connected with the Conference. The names of *Elders* are printed in capitals and italics.

I.—CHARLESTON DISTRICT.

T. E. WANNAMAKER, P. E.....3 1
1 Charleston—Trinity, *R. N. Wells.*1 2
2 Bethel, *W. C. Power.*1 3
3 Spring St., *G. W. Whitman*..1 4
4 Berkley ct., S. D. Vaughn.....4 5
5 Cainhoy ct., *A. G. Gantt*.....1 6
6 ∫Cypress ct., *G. H. Pooser*.....2 7
7 ⌊St. Paul's miss., to be supplied.
8 St. George's ct., *P. F. Kistler*.....2 8
9 Bamberg ct., *W. P. Mouzon*.....2 9
10 Colleton ct., *C. C. Fishburn*.....2 10
11 Walterboro' ct., *J. L. Sifley*.....4 11
12 Allendale ct., *W. H. Lawton*.....1 12
13 Black Swamp ct., *L. C. Loyal*.....1 13
14 ∫Yemassee ct., *A. R. Danner*.....1 14
15 ⌊Hardeeville ct., *B. G. Jones*.....2 15
16 Summerville, *S. H. Browne*.....1 16

II.—ORANGEBURG DISTRICT.

WM. MARTIN, P. E.....4 17
17 Orangeburg, *S. A. Weber*..... 2 18
18 Orangeburg ct., *R. W. Barber*.....1 19
19 Branchville ct., *Thos. Raysor*.....2 20
20 Providence ct., *J. B. Platt*.....1 21
21 St. Mathew's ct., *J. H. Zimmerman*.....3 22
22 Up. St. Mathew's ct., *M. L Banks*..3 23
23 Orange ct., D. Z. Dantzler.....1 24
24 ∫Edisto ct., *N. K. Melton*.....1 25
25 ⌊Edisto miss., M. M. Ferguson....2 26
26 Graham ct., *A. J. Cauthen*.....4 27
27 Williston ct., *M. A. McKibben*.....2 28
28 Ellenton ct., *D. Tiller*.....1 29
29 Aiken miss., R. Herbert Jones.....1 30
30 Graniteville and Langley station, *John A. Mood*.....1 31

III.—COLUMBIA DISTRICT.

E. J. MEYNARDIE, P. E.....3 32
31 Columbia—Washington St., *J. T. Wightman*.....2 33
32 Marion Ct. *W. S. Wightman*.....1 34
33 Columbia ct., *L. M. Little*.....1 35
34 Ridgeway ct., *J. E. Watson*.....1 36
35 Winnsboro' sta., *W. A. Rogers*....1 37
36 Fairfield ct., *J. A. Porter*.....1 38
37 Chester station, *J. E. Carlisle*.....2 39
38 Chester ct., *M. H. Pooser*.....2 40
39 East Chester ct., *T. J. Clyde*.....1 41
40 ∫Rock Hill ct., *J. M. Boyd*.....1 42
41 ⌊Ft. Mills ct., J. Lemacks Stokes..2 43
42 Yorkville station, T. E.Gilbert..1 44
43 ∫York ct., *L. A. Johnson*.....2 45
44 ⌊Black's station ct., B.M.Boozer1 46
45 Lexington ct., *C. D. Rowell*.....2 47
46 Edgefield ct., *Saml. Leard*.....2 48
47 Batesburg ct., *J. W. Kelly*.....1 49
Professor C. F. College, *J. Walter Dickson*.....1 50

IV.—SUMTER DISTRICT.

C. H. PRITCHARD, P. E.....1 51
48 Sumter sta., *A. J. Stokes*.....1 52
49 Sumter ct., *J. S. Beasley*.....1 53
50 Spring Hill ct., *D. D. Dantzler*...1 54
51 Bishopville sta., *A. J. Stafford*...1 55
52 Manning ct., *D. J. McMillan*.....2 56
53 Santee ct., *J. L. Shuford*, 4, and J. W. Ariail.....1 58
54 Richland Fork ct., W. H. Ariail.1 59
55 Camden station, *J. O. Willson*....1 60
56 Kershaw ct., A. C. Le Gett.....1 61
57 Hanging Rock ct., *W. H. Kirton*.2 62
58 Lancaster station, W. W. Williams.....1 63
59 Lancaster ct., *R. L. Duffie*.....1 64
60 Chesterfield ct., *J. W. Murray*...3 65
61 Zoar circuit to be supplied by *C. A. Plyler.*

V.—FLORENCE DISTRICT.

JAMES C. STOLL, P. E.....1 66
62 Florence station, *A. H. Lester*...1 67
63 ∫Darlington sta., *G. W. Walker*.1 68
64 ⌊Society Hill ct., *W. L. Pegues*..1 69
65 Cheraw station, *Wm. Thomas*...2 70
66 Darlington ct., *T. W. Munnerlyn*.....1 71
67 Lower Darlington ct., *J. B. Massebeau*.....1 72
68 Timmonsville ct., *G. H. Wells*...2 73
69 Lynchburg and St. Luke's, J. W. Wolling.....1 74
70 Lynchburg ct., W. S. Martin.....1 75
71 North Williamsburg ct., *J. W. McRoy*.....1 76
72 Kingstree sta., Felix Hartin.....1 77
73 Gourdin and Sampit ct., *J. C. Russell*, 1, A. B. Lee.....1 79
74 Georgetown, *W. T. Capers*.....2 80
75 ∫Black River ct., *H. J. Morgan*.3 81
76 ⌊Johnsonville ct., *G. W. Gatlin*.3 82
77 West Marion ct., J. C. Counts ...2 83
78 Mar's Bluff sta., *W. D. Kirkland*.2 84

VI.—MARION DISTRICT.

H. A. C. WALKER, P. E 2 85
79 Marion station, *R. L. Harper*....1 86
80 Marion ct., *J. T. Kilgo*.....1 87
81 Mullins ct., *S. J. Hill*, 2, J. T. Pate 1 89
82 Little Rock ct., *F. Auld*, 3, *J. R. Little*, sup'y..... 91
83 Bennettsville ct., *T. Mitchell*, 2, J. W. Tarbourx.....1 93
84 South Marlboro' ct., *G. T. Harmon*.....2 94
85 North Marlboro' ct., *J. C. Davis*.2 95
86 Waccamaw ct. and miss.. *Wm. Carson* 3 96
87 Little River ct., *D. W. Seal*.....2 97
88 Bucksville sta., A. C. Walker....1 98
89 Conwayboro' sta., *L. Wood* 2 99
90 Conwayboro' ct., *W. W. Jones*....1 100
91 Hebron ct., *L. Scarboro*.....1 101

VII.—SPARTANBURG DISTRICT.

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93 Providence miss., to be supplied.
94 Union station, *J. B. Campbell*...1 104
95 Cherokee ct., *J. J. Newberry*.....1 105
96 Cane Creek ct., *A. P. Avant*.....1 106
97 Jonesville ct., *G. M. Boyd*.....2 107
98 Goshen Hill ct., *R. R. Dagnall*..2 108
99 Laurens ct., *J. K. McCain*.....1 109
100 North Laurens ct., *J. W. Humbert*.....1 110
101 Limestone Springs ct. *J. B. Wilson* 2 111
102 Limestone Springs miss., E. G. Price.....1 112
103 Clinton ct., *J. F. England*.....1 113
104 Belmont ct., *W. W. Mood*.....2 114
105 Gowansville ct., *J. F. Smith*.....1 115
106 Rich Hill ct., *Wm. Hutto*.....1 116
Vanderbilt University—*A. M. Shipp*, Professor..... 117
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108 Cokesbury ct., *W. A. Clarke*, 2, Jas. S. Porter.....1 125
109 Abbeville sta., *D. J. Simmons*.....1 126
110 Abbeville ct., J. C. Bissell.....1 127
111 South Abbeville ct., *S. P. H. Elwell*, 3, O. N. Rountree, sup'y... 129
112 Lowndesville sta., *R. P. Franks*.1 130
113 Tumbling Shoals ct., *J. B. Traywick*.....2 131
114 Greenwood ct., *R. D. Smart*, 1, J. Simmons Meynardie.....1 133
115 Newberry sta., *A. M. Chrietzberg*.....1 134
116 Newberry ct., *T. G. Herbert*, 4, W. P. Meadors 1 136
117 North Newberry circuit, H. W. Whitaker.....1 137
118 Lexington Fork circuit, *L. M. Hamer*.....1 138
119 Saluda ct., *J. A. Clifton*.....2 139

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121 Greenville ct., A. W. Jackson...2 142
122 Reidville ct., C. D. Mann, 1, *J. A. Wood*, sup'y..... 144
123 Fork Shoals ct., H. B. Browne...1 145
124 Williamston sta., *S. Lander*..2 146
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126 Brushy Ck. ct., *J. J. Workman*...3 147
127 Anderson sta., *H. F. Chrietzberg*.2 148
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130 Pendleton ct., *S. B. Jones* 2 151
131 Sandy Springs ct,, J. *Attaway*...3 152
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134 Walhalla and Seneca City ct., J. J. Neville.....2 154
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STATISTICAL REPORT.

Names of Circuits, Stations, and Missions.	Members.		Baptisms.		Sunday-Schools.				Church Property.		
	White	White Preachers.	White Infants.	White Adults.	No. of Schools.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. of white Pupils.	No. of Volumes in Library.	No. of Churches.	No. of Parsonages.	Value of Church Property.
Charleston Dist.											
Trinity	320	1	6	2	1	40	221	1500	1	1	$34,000
Bethel	368	1	12	1	1	32	150	1430	1	2	40,000
Spring Street	258	.....	8	.....	1	15	125	335	1	...	10,000
Berkley Circuit	330	2	16	.....	6	18	108	.....	10	....	3,000
Cainhoy Ct. & Mission	337	4	11	4	6	24	113	202	8	....	900
Cypress Circuit	551	2	37	10	8	28	129	135	8	1	4,600
Summerville Ct. and Mission	142	.....	7	.....	1	4	28	75	4	....	500
St. George's Circuit	559	.....	42	2	4	39	237	340	6	1	5,500
Bamberg Circuit	358	2	7	5	3	26	90	.....	4	1	4,000
Colleton Circuit	556	1	23	1	7	28	170	.....	8	1	3,600
Walterboro' Circuit	680	3	39	8	11	58	343	350	11	1	5,350
Allendale Circuit	297	.....	6	3	4	15	131	.....	4	1	2,900
Black Swamp Circuit	303	....	4	5	4	8	70	150	6	1	5,500
Yemassee Circuit	193	1	9	.....	3	18	95	.....	6	..	3,350
Hardeeville Circuit and Mission	96	.....	10	.....	2	10	35	.....	3	1	2,000
Totals	5348	17	237	41	62	363	2045	4517	81	11	125,200
Orangeburg Dis.											
Orangeburg Station	170	1	10	1	1	24	106	.....	1	2	$9,000
Orangeburg Circuit	297	2	25	2	4	27	132	... .	4	1	2.500
Branchville Circuit	351	1	23	3	4	30	185	.....	5	1	5,800
Providence Circuit	451	1	30	16	6	47	187	100	6	1	3,000
St. Matthew's Ct	243	.....	10	.....	4	15	70	50	5	1	7.000
Uppper St Matthew's	250	.....	5	2	4	19	66	50	5	1	3,040
Edisto Circuit	510	2	33	5	7	47	234	200	6	1	5,200
Edisto Mission	11	1	.....	3	1	1	20	.....	2	....	150
Graham Circuit	426	.....	16	9	5	30	200	600	5	1	7.000
Williston Circuit	237	1	3	7	2	7	30	.....	5	1	4,500
Ellenton Circuit	47	.....	7	2	2	8	45	.....	2	....	1,700
Aiken Mission	29	1	1	1	1	7	30	250	1	....	7,000
Graniteville and Langley	214	.....	3	5	1	12	80	.....	1	1	3 000
Upper Orange Circ't	508	3	32	9	6	25	186	193	6	1	2,150
Totals	3744	13	198	65	48	299	1571	1443	54	12	61,040
Columbia District											
Washington Street	295	1	18	2	1	21	162	450	1	....	$80 000
Marion Street	234	1	37	4	1	18	113	400	1	....	5,000
Winnsboro' Station	53	1	1	.....	1	3	23	100	1	.....	4,000
Fairfield Circuit	548	3	18	5	7	39	297	200	6	1	8,210
Am't carried forward	1130	6	74	11	10	81	595	1150	9	1	97,210

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NAMES OF CIRCUITS, STATIONS, AND MISSIONS.	MEMBERS.		BAPTISMS.		SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.				CHURCH PROPERTY.		
	White.	White Preachers.	White Infants.	White Adults.	No. of Schools.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. of White Pupils.	No. of Volumes in Library.	No. of Churches.	No. of Parsonages.	Value of Church Property.
Amt. brot. forward	1130	6	74	11	10	81	595	1,150	9	1	$97,210
Chester Station.....	106	.....	.....	2	1	11	50	.....	1	1	5,000
West Chester Ct ...	497	1	13	27	4	13	74	.....	4	.....	6,400
East Chester Ct.....	431	1	20	10	5	16	120	.....	6	1	7,000
Rock Hill Circuit...	332	2	15	4	1	9	55	302	5	1	8,000
Yorkville Station...	177	.....	2	2	1	7	65	150	2	.....	2,500
York Circuit	153	.....	12	16	3	15	75	.....	3	.....	2,500
Lexington Circuit...	277	1	17	20	3	15	150	100	3	1	1,500
Lexington Fork.....	381	1	26	.....	4	23	171	.....	4	.....	1,700
Leesville Circuit.....	653	1	16	27	8	31	381	.....	8	1	6,200
Edgefield Circuit.....	394	1	15	5	7	30	225	.....	4	1	11,000
Columbia Circuit....	466	.....	13	.....	5	35	318	478	9	1	7,000
Totals	4997	14	223	124	52	286	2279	2,180	58	8	156,010
SUMTER DISTRICT.											
Sumter Station.....	210	.....	7	5	1	15	140	100	1	1	$7,000
Sumter Circuit.....	657	2	7	6	4	32	178	300	7	1	7,000
Bishopville Circuit..	352	.....	11	13	5	32	184	118	5	1	4.150
Manning Circuit.....	505	1	28	12	8	36	235	689	7	1	6,800
Santee Circuit.....	432	4	32	33	5	23	178	.....	7	1	5,000
Richland Fork Circuit and Mission..	361	.....	7	2	4	25	188	175	7	....	2,500
Camden Station.....	126	.....	2	2	1	7	68	400	1	1	7,500
Hanging Rock Ct....	383	.....	15	3	6	29	182	.....	7	.....	4,500
Fort Mills Circuit ..	252	1	33	29	4	13	95	.....	4	.....	1,260
Chesterfield Ct.....	645	3	22	9	7	31	332	150	9	1	3,500
Lancaster Station...	92	.....	5	.....	1	7	75	280	1	.....	2,000
Zoar Ct. & Mission..	400	1	33	44	6	30	247	109	6	.....	3,000
So. Chesterfield Ct..	449	1	19	44	6	24	168	.....	7	.....	1,600
Totals	4864	13	221	202	58	304	2270	2,312	69	7	55,810
FLORENCE DISTRICT											
Florence Station.....	102	1	3	1	1	8	48	117	1	.....	$2,500
Darlington Station..	96	.....	13	3	1	12	47	320	1	.....	2,000
Society Hill Miss.....	55	.....	7	21	1	8	45	.....	2	.....	300
Cheraw Station	115	.....	2	2	1	11	62	400	1	.....	3,800
Lower Darlington Ct	390	3	1	24	5	30	275	350	5	1	8,450
Darlington.....	448	2	2	14	4	38	277	375	4	.....	6,500
Timmonsville Ct.....	440	1	3	8	7	43	279	290	5	1	3,000
Lynchburg Circuit..	601	4	20	25	5	31	261	325	5	1	2,150
N. Williamsburg.....	316	1	7	4	4	15	100	.....	6	1	2,687
Kingstree Station...	72	.....	2	1	1	6	20	40	1	.....	3.200
Gourdin Ct. & Miss.	254	2	15	4	7	21	140	100	5	1	1,725
Georgetown Station.	196	1	22	1	1	13	90	300	2	1	5,000
Sampit Ct. & Miss...	280	1	30	1	4	16	100	100	3	1	900
Blk River Ct.& Miss	168	.....	24	5	4	12	100	150	5	.....	1,200
Amt carried forward	3323	16	152	112	45	276	1124	3,857	46	7	43,212

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NAMES OF CIRCUITS, STATIONS AND MISSIONS.	MEMBERS. White.	MEMBERS. White Preachers.	BAPTISMS. White Infants.	BAPTISMS. White Adults.	SUNDAY-SCHOOLS. No. of Schools.	SUNDAY-SCHOOLS. No. of Officers and Teachers.	SUNDAY-SCHOOLS. No. of white Pupils.	SUNDAY-SCHOOLS. No. of Volumes in Library.	CHURCH PROPERTY. No. of Churches.	CHURCH PROPERTY. No. of Parsonages.	CHURCH PROPERTY. Value of Church Property.
Amt. brot. forward..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Johnsonville Circuit	476	5	32	16	4	41	262	216	3	1	4,300
Liberty Chapel.....	151	1	5	51	1	9	42	.....	2	1	5,500
Totals	4160	22	188	181	51	314	2148	3083	51	9	48,212
MARION DISTRICT.											
Marion Station.....	235	2	21	1	1	22	105	325	1	2	12,000
Buck Swamp Ct.....	892	3	38	30	11	90	669	50	11	1	5,400
Little Rock Circuit..	407	2	10	5	4	31	205	.....	5	1	13,417
South Marlboro' Ct..	607	2	32	16	5	28	230	.....	4		4,500
Bennettsville Ct.....	955	3	19	54	8	61	358	400	8	1	13,650
North Marlboro' Ct.	403	2	58	18	3	15	110	60	4		1,500
WaccamawCt.&Miss	199	3	4	3	1	6	61	25	3		3,000
Little River Circuit and Mission.....	139		40	6	4	21	106	50	4		500
Bucksville Station...	112		3		3	19	110	180	2	1	4,300
Conwayboro' Station	166		7	8	2	13	92	200	2	2	3,800
Conwayboro' Circui	198		8	12	2	12	94	.....	4		1,000
Pee Dee Circuit.....	781	3	57	81	10	73	533	300	10	1	3,470
Marion Circuit.....	656	5	58	32	9	32	305	420	9	1	8,000
Totals	5750	25	355	266	63	423	2978	2010	67	10	74,537
SPARTANBURG DIST.											
Spartanburg Station	445	4	9	1	2	26	240	300	1	2	60,000
Union Station.	98	.....	4	1	1	10	50	.....	1	1	13,000
Cherokee Circuit.....	517	.....	6	24	5	26	155	.....	5	....	1,650
Cane Creek Circuit...	210	.....	6	.....	3	12	60	30	4	....	3,000
Jonesville Circuit.....	544	....	6	19	4	20	130	.....	5	1	3 500
Goshen Hill Circuit..	190	1	18	16	5	22	173	75	6	....	3,000
Laurens Circuit.....	725	2	16	20	8	24	224	150	9	1	10,300
Limestone Springs ..	358	1	4	10	4	20	120	.....	4	1	4,700
Black's Station..	125	.....	3	25	3	10	100	.....	3	...	1,800
Clinton Circuit.....	281	.....	3	.....	2	9	104	.....	5	....	2,500
Belmont Circuit.....	419	.....	53	3	4	11	89	.....	6	1	3,850
Gowansville Circuit..	218	.....	4	1	1	3	25	30	5	....	2,000
Rich Hill Circuit.....	508	1	22	10	4	32	240	.....	6	1	2,000
Totals.	4638	9	154	130	46	225	1710	585	60	8	111,300
COKESBURY DIST.											
Cokesbury Station...	177	1	16	1	2	20	115	200	2	1	5.000
Cokesbury Circuit...	523	1	21	28	4	19	125	.....	6	1	4,500
Abbeville Station.....	98	.....	3	1	1	14	84	350	1	1	3,000
Abbevilie Circuit.....	397	....	3	8	1	4	70	.....	5	....	3 025
South Abbeville Ct...	399	1	9	8	3	23	72	98	3	2	2,269
Lowndesville Stat'n	260	.....	20	2	2	10	136	600	2	1	2,000
Tumbling Shoals.....	355	.....	11	57	4	18	75	.....	4	1	4,500
Amt. carried forward	2209	3	83	105	17	108	677	1248	23	7	24,294

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	White.	White Preachers.	White Infants.	White Adults.	No. of Schools.	No. of officers and Teachers.	No. of white Pupils.	No. of Volumes in Library.	No. of Churches.	No. of Parsonages.	Value of Church Property.
Am't brot. forward...	2209	3	83	105	17	108	677	1248	23	7	24,294
Greenwood Circuit...	499	1	15	11	8	28	198	283	8	1	7,900
Newberry Station...	172	1	11	2	1	12	70	300	1	1	5,000
Newberry Circuit....	665	2	23	10	8	33	215	.....	8	1	7,250
North Newberry Ct.	162	.....	11	14	5	16	153	.....	4	....	4,000
Saluda Circuit..	518	2	37	29	7	28	328	.....	8	1	6,500
Totals.....	4225	9	180	171	46	225	1641	1831	52	11	54,744
GREENVILLE DIST.											
Greenville Station....	270	.....	8	5	1	20	214	240	1	1	$20,000
Greenville Circuit....	590	6	13	14	5	34	250	225	5	1	4,500
Reidville Circuit.....	808	1	16	48	7	38	440	1200	8	1	9,500
Fork Shoals Circuit	315	.....	10	12	4	23	155	.....	4	1	5,000
Williamston Station	89	1	1	1	1	8	75	100	1	....	1,200
Brushy Creek Ct.....	225	5	2	2	2	19	129	.....	4	....	1,750
Anderson Station.....	137	.....	11	12	1	10	65	.....	1	1	4 000
Anderson Ct. & Miss	181	2	16	9	3	15	82	260	4	...	1,500
Shallow Ford Circuit	316	1	16	16	4	24	160	.....	4	1	3,250
Pendleton Circuit....	442	1	22	13	6	21	150	.....	5	....	1,600
Sandy Springs	430	.....	33	12	4	20	100	50	4	....	1,600
Pickens Circuit.....	463	2	18	15	8	51	425	115	8	....	3,200
Pickens Mission.....	231	2	7	.....	1	5	25	.....	8	....	600
Walhalla and Seneca City.....	485	2	40	25	3	26	152	85	3	....	2,000
Oconee Mission.....	188	.....	5	10	2	10	87	.....	2	....	400
Westminster Circuit and Mission.....	300	.....	10	13	3	25	150	.....	3	....	1,000
Totals.....	5470	23	228	207	55	349	2659	2275	65	6	$61,100

RACAPITULATION.

Names of Districts.	MEMBERS.		BAPT'MS.		SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.				CH. PROPERTY.		
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Charleston	5348	17	237	41	62	368	2045	4517	81	11	$125,200
Orangeb'g	3744	13	198	65	48	299	1571	1443	54	12	61,040
Columbia..	4997	14	223	124	52	286	2279	2180	58	8	156,010
Sumter.....	4864	13	221	202	58	304	2270	2312	69	7	55,810
Florence...	4160	22	188	181	51	314	2148	3083	51	9	48,212
Marion.....	5750	25	355	266	63	423	2978	2010	67	10	74,537
Spartanb'g	4638	9	154	130	46	225	1710	585	60	8	111,300
Cokesbury	4225	9	180	171	46	225	1641	1831	52	11	54,744
Greenville	5470	23	228	207	55	349	2659	2275	65	6	61,100
Tot. for '77	43,196	145	1984	1387	481	2788	19,301	20,236	557	82	747,953
Tot. for '76	41,742	144	1710	1249	456	2786	18,985	23,764	552	77	782,642
Increase...	1454	1	274	138	25	2	316	.....	5	5	.....
Decrease...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3528	.....	.....	34,689

There are colored members, Charleston District, 301 ; Orangeburg District, 12 ; Columbia District, 20 ; Sumter District, 4; Florence District, 7; Marion District,3 ; Spartanburg District, 5 ; and Greenville District, 5. Total, 357. Colored preachers 3 ; Baptisms, 10 ; Charleston District, sixty colored Sunday-school Scholars. Spartanburg Distirct, two hundred colored Sunday School Scholars.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

Names of Circuits, Stations and Missions.	Assessment for Pastor and Assistants.	Collected for Pastor and Assistants	Assessment for Presiding Elder.	Collected for Presiding Elder.	Assessment for Conference Collections.	Collected for Conference Collections.	Assessment for Foreign Missions.	Collected for Foreign Missions.	Assessment for Domestic Missions	Collected for Domestic Missions.	Assessment for Education.	Collected for Education.	Assessment for Bishop.	Collected for Bishop.	Assessment for Educ'g Cand's for Ministry	Collected for Educ'g Cand's for Ministry.	For Sunday Schools.	For Building & Repairing Ch's Parsonage, Sch'l Houses, &c.	For other Benevolent Enterprises.
Charleston District.																			
Trinity*	*1,200	1,007 75	200	169 00	85	85 00	40	40 00	105	105 00	50	22 10	10	10 00	.....	.....	88 23	3,700 00	1,460 47
Bethel	1,500	1,424 00	200	188 00	85	85 00	40	40 00	105	105 00	50	25 00	10	10 00	.....	.....	98 00	.....	1,141 00
Spring Street	800	614 21	100	71 50	55	22 86	20	20 00	65	20 00	30	8 00	5	5 00	5 00	5 00	60 00	.....	56 00
Berkley Circuit	500	267 00	100	57 07	25	5 00	20	6 00	55	6 00	30	3 00	5	5 00	.....	.....	.....	100 00	.....
Cainhoy Circuit and Miss.	400	304 91	50	38 03	20	10 00	20	2 50	45	6 60	30	.....	3	1 00	.....	.....	7 00	7 00	33 00
Cypress Circuit	600	518 79	100	86 46	55	24 00	25	11 00	95	28 00	30	8 00	8	8 00	17 00	9 00	45 00	109 50	119 00
Summerville Circuit	800	220 96	10	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 00
St. George's	755	666 00	130	111 00	75	50 00	30	22 00	100	18 00	45	6 00	10	10 00	.....	.....	7 00	650 00	148 10
Bamberg	900	844 71	130	122 00	75	55 00	35	30 00	105	60 00	45	20 00	10	10 00	.....	.....	11 00	.....	30 50
Colleton Circuit	650	467 52	125	87 69	70	41 25	20	15 00	95	15 00	40	8 00	10	10 00	.....	.....	.....	247 00	53 00
Walterboro' Circuit	800	589 98	160	117 99	75	60 00	35	25 00	105	68 75	45	27 40	10	10 00	20 00	20 00	25 00	380 00	75 00
Allendale Circuit	800	398 02	140	100 00	75	23 00	35	9 00	105	27 00	45	11 00	10	10 00	.....	.....	650 00	.....	50 00
Black Swamp Circuit	600	421 50	100	84 30	50	25 00	25	10 00	90	27 00	40	5 00	10	7 00	.....	.....	7 00	.....	5 00
Yemassee Circuit	500	261 45	25	14 50	10	10 00	15	5 00	55	11 75	20	6 50	4	4 00	.....	.....	18 00	50 00	100 00
Hardeeville Ct. and Miss.	400	96 00	10	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 50	200 00	.....
Totals	11,205	8,102 80	1,570	1,267 54	755	496 11	360	235 50	1,105	488 10	500	150 00	105	100 00	42 00	34 00	1,019 73	5,443 50	3,274 47
Orangeburg District.																			
Orangeburg Station	750	750 00	50	50 00	50	50 00	25	25 00	50	50 00	35	35 00	5	5 00	.....	.....	21 00	40 00	40 00
Orangeburg Circuit	600	480 76	75	59 71	50	30 00	30	30 00	80	45 50	35	10 10	8	8 00	.....	.....	20 00	375 00	10 00
Branchville Circuit	700	700 00	90	90 00	60	50 00	25	20 00	85	30 06	40	10 00	8	8 00	.....	.....	25 00	150 00	.....
Providence Circuit	675	528 50	100	80 00	55	55 00	25	15 00	85	85 00	40	40 00	8	8 00	.....	.....	15 00	400 00	39 00
St. Matthew's Circuit	800	700 00	110	100 00	65	65 00	30	30 00	85	85 00	40	23 00	8	8 00	.....	.....	20 00	.....	22 00
Upper St. Matthew's Circuit	800	663 80	100	81 10	55	40 00	25	25 00	85	45 00	32	19 00	7	7 00	.....	.....	15 50	40 00	14 00
Edisto Circuit	900	545 82	100	60 62	55	55 00	30	30 00	85	37 91	30	5 00	8	8 00	.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....
Edisto Mission	300	48 33	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Graham Circuit	1,000	925 00	100	81 00	65	65 00	35	35 00	95	79 50	45	40 00	8	8 00	.....	.....	25 00	50 00	.....
Williston Circuit	650	343 00	50	27 00	20	5 50	25	7 00	50	14 00	25	.....	5	8 00	.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....
Ellenton Circuit	300	206 00	.....	14 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Aiken Mission	.....	148 61	.....	3 75	.....	2 00	.....	1 10	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....	.....	100 00	15 45	4 55
Graniteville & Langley Miss	.....	575 00	.....	13 00	.....	15 00	.....	15 00	.....	25 00	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	44 18	145 05	6 00
Upper Orange Circuit	460	354 75	75	50 00	35	25 00	16	14 00	50	18 00	30	.....	5	5 00	.....	.....	5 00	.....	45 30
Totals	7,935	6,968 97	850	710 18	510	457 50	266	257 10	750	516 97	352	198 10	70	74 00	.....	.....	310 68	1,215 50	180 80

*Note. Trinity Charge since Conference paid up salaries in full.

COLUMBIA DISTRICT.																		
Washington St	1,500 00	1,200 00	175	138 00	70	70 00	35	30 65	100	75 00	45	30 00	8	8 00	.....	.....	76 80	738 00	174 53
Marion St	800 00	501 00	125	78 15	55	55 00	25	25 00	80	80 00	35	35 00	7	7 00	15 00	.....	117 26	40 00	106 00
Winnsboro' Station	174 75	174 75	50	50 00	35	14 85	16	.....	40	.....	23	.....	5	5 00	.....	.....	15 00	.....	92 06
Fairfield Circuit	1,300 00	1,107 35	175	149 03	70	70 00	35	35 00	90	47 35	40	40 00	8	8 00	10 00	5 00	72 50	120 00	351 00
Chester Station	600 00	600 00	100	100 00	45	45 00	20	20 00	50	50 00	30	30 00	6	6 00	12 00	12 00	40 00	50 00	84 00
West Chester Circuit	800 00	695 35	125	108 62	35	35 00	16	16 00	70	50 00	25	16 00	6	6 00	.....	.....	45 00	100 00	40 00
East Chester Circuit	1,125 00	843 21	175	133 27	65	40 00	32	20 00	90	35 00	40	20 00	8	8 00	23 00	23 00	10 00	37 00	37 50
Rock Hill Circuit	625 00	540 00	125	108 00	50	29 00	25	12 00	80	40 00	35	17 00	7	7 00	15 00	7 85	7 00	5 00	62 55
Yorkville Station	500 00	425 40	75	63 75	35	5 00	16	5 00	47	8 00	22	5 00	5	5 00	.....	.....	21 00	100 00	.....
York Circuit	300 00	167 00	75	63 00	30	15 00	20	7 00	20	6 00	30	12 00	5	5 00	11 00	2 00	10 00	100 00	.....
Lexington Circuit	675 00	374 10	75	43 00	30	20 00	15	10 00	54	8 00	20	7 60	5	5 00	.....	.....	11 89	.....	.....
Lexington Fork Circuit	600 00	442 85	100	73 65	30	15 00	15	15 00	45	17 00	25	14 00	5	5 00	.....	.....	13 00	55 85	5 15
Leesville Circuit	800 00	722 00	125	112 75	50	50 00	25	25 00	80	50 00	35	20 00	7	7 00	15 00	15 00	49 00	600 00	53 00
Edgefield Circuit	750 00	680 00	150	133 40	50	50 00	25	22 60	80	70 00	35	30 00	7	7 00	.....	.....	25 00	.....	125 00
Columbia Circuit	765 00	441 47	100	56 90	50	15 00	25	10 00	70	10 00	35	5 00	6	6 00	.....	.....	28 00	170 00	2 20
Totals	11,314 75	8,914 51	1,750	1,411 52	700	528 85	315	253 25	996	546 35	475	281 60	95	95 00	101 00	64 85	541 51	2,115 85	1,132 99
SUMTER DISTRICT.																			
Sumter Station	850 00	850 00	160	160 00	60	60 00	20	20 00	40	40 00	35	35 00	10	10 00	.....	.....	50 00	500 00	20 00
Sumter Circuit	1,200 00	675 00	160	90 00	85	50 00	40	25 00	130	12 89	55	12 00	10	10 00	.....	.....	17 00	.....	8 00
Bishopville Circuit	1,000 00	683 50	150	102 50	75	38 50	35	7 25	95	21 10	40	10 00	10	10 00	.....	.....	20 00	.....	17 00
Manning Circuit	800 00	639 05	135	107 83	65	36 00	30	20 00	90	26 00	40	20 00	10	10 00	.....	.....	15 69	100 00	8 00
Santee Circuit	800 00	585 02	135	98 71	60	60 00	30	30 00	40	30 00	30	25 00	10	10 00	.....	.....	.....	300 00	50 00
Richland Fork	600 00	336 17	125	64 14	60	15 00	35	7 00	80	15 00	55	5 00	5	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	58 00
Camden	700 00	560 00	100	82 00	30	35 00	20	20 00	25	25 00	25	25 00	5	5 00	.....	.....	16 00	1,413 00	3 00
Hanging Rock	750 00	627 56	110	92 05	65	40 00	25	25 00	75	41 50	30	20 00	5	5 00	.....	.....	21 00	.....	5 80
Fort Mills	475 00	421 60	75	66 57	30	30 00	20	20 00	40	40 00	25	25 00	5	5 00	.....	.....	18 26	106 00	11 20
Chesterfield	800 00	722 73	100	90 46	60	60 00	25	15 00	70	47 00	45	16 00	5	5 00	.....	.....	10 00	.....	19 60
Lancaster Station	600 00	500 00	85	67 00	26	15 00	17	12 00	31	15 00	21	13 00	5	5 00	.....	.....	16 00	.....	75 00
Zoar Circuit and Mission	260 00	200 00	65	50 00	20	11 00	15	5 00	60	6 00	20	5 00	5	5 00	.....	.....	15 00	250 00	3 00
South Chesterfield	300 00	201 22	100	59 93	25	26 00	15	10 00	60	15 00	20	4 75	5	5 00	.....	.....	4 35	.....	15 20
Totals	9,135 00	7,001 85	1,500	1,130 19	661	470 50	327	216 25	836	334 49	441	215 75	90	90 00	.....	.....	203 30	2,669 00	293 80
FLORENCE DISTRICT.																			
Florence Station	360 00	376 06	65	65 45	32	25 60	16	12 00	45	33 00	20	13 00	4	4 00	.....	.....	22 70	43 00	109 71
Darlington Station	600 00	600 00	85	85 00	36	20 00	18	10 00	50	33 00	22	11 00	5	5 00	.....	.....	14 75	.....	28 41
Society Hill Mission	75 00	20 00	25	5 00	4	4 00	3	3 00	8	8 00	6	6 00	2	2 00	.....	.....	5 00	.....	1 00
Cheraw Station	500 00	331 62	60	35 00	23	16 88	13	13 00	42	24 36	17	9 36	4	4 00	.....	.....	6 28	67 35	74 29
Lower Darlington Circuit	600 00	518 00	100	86 43	50	25 00	24	12 00	70	30 00	35	16 00	7	7 00	.....	.....	24 30	60 00	20 75
Darlington Circuit	750 00	481 36	90	57 84	48	26 00	23	12 50	68	.....	34	20 00	6	6 00	.....	.....	37 50	18 00	40 00
Timmonsville Circuit	850 00	420 91	100	50 39	44	8 75	22	3 00	65	8 50	28	5 00	6	6 00	.....	.....	30 00	50 00	.....

FLORENCE DISTRICT.																				
Lynchburg Circuit	700	536 00	100	80 00	50 00	50 00	24 00	30 50	68 00	35 00	35 00	20 00	6 00	6 00			63 75	70 00	90 00	
N. Williamsburg	525	452 34	95	81 87	38 00	30 00	17 00	17 00	55 00	22 25	24 00	9 45	5 00	5 00			7 50	187 00	16 40	
Kingstree Station	480	383 50	80	41 25	25 00		12 00	5 40	38 00	23 28	18 00	9 00	4 00	4 00			13 35			
Gourdin Circuit & Mission	340	259 19	60	45 74	28 00	20 00	14 00	10 00	44 00	30 35	21 00	8 00	4 00	4 00			20 00	15 00	26 00	
Georgetown	700	660 00	90	67 50	35 00	20 25	18 00	10 00	58 00	12 20	20 00	4 00	4 00	4 00			20 00	40 00	76 19	
Sampit Circuit & Mission	220	127 24	60	34 97	28 00	4 75	18 00	4 00	44 00	9 00	16 00		4 00	1 25			5 00	150 00		
Black River Ct. & Mission	250	129 10	50	25 66	18 00	18 00	9 00	9 00	30 00	30 00	12 00	12 00	2 00	2 00			3 00	400 00	33 75	
Johnsonville Circuit	700	447 24	100	63 90	45 00	45 00	20 00	20 00	61 00	46 55	28 00	15 00	6 00	6 00			51 50		34 50	
Liberty Chapel	650	609 97	65	60 96	31 00	31 00	16 00	16 00	45 00	21 65	22 00	8 00	4 00	4 00			8 00	61 50	26 15	
Totals	8,300	6,352 53	1,225	896 06	540 00	345 23	267 00	187 40	791 00	367 14	358 00	165 81	73 00	70 25			332 63	1,161 85	577 15	
MARION DISTRICT.																				
Marion Station	950	850 00	100	90 00	58 50	58 50	28 35	28 35	85 65	85 65	38 85	38 85	7 65	7 65			52 00	6 00	130 00	
Buck Swamp Circuit	1,125	955 60	125	106 18	82 00	82 00	40 00	40 00	120 00	83 00	54 00	54 00	12 00	12 00			175 00	250 00		
Little Rock Circuit	1,000	1,000 00	145	145 00	95 00	44 10	46 00	46 00	138 00	138 00	63 00	16 00	13 00	13 00			30 05	183 50	27 50	
South Marlboro' Circuit	775	715 70	105	100 00	69 00	69 00	34 00	34 00	100 00	90 00	46 00	42 08	9 00	9 00			39 65		29 06	
Bennettsville Circuit	1,050	1,050 00	165	165 00	108 00	108 00	52 00	52 00	156 00	60 00	72 00	60 00	14 00	14 00			95 00	450 00	32 20	
North Marlboro' Circuit	250	214 00	50	43 20	33 00	27 65	16 00	16 00	48 00	25 00	22 00	10 00	5 00	5 00			17 55		3 00	
Waccamaw Ct. & Mission	345	263 37	40	30 53	26 00	12 41	12 00	12 00	38 00	30 00	17 00	7 80	3 00	3 00			4 50		17 62	
Little River Ct. & Mission	300	170 72	10	10 00	7 00	7 00	4 00	5 00	10 00	10 00	5 00	4 22	2 00	2 00			8 90	3 50		
Bucksville Station	600	600 00	50	50 00	31 00	25 00	16 00	12 00	48 00	15 00	17 00	15 00	5 00	5 00			33 00	312 00	29 00	
Conwayboro' Station	600	514 00	50	40 00	33 00	15 00	16 00	5 00	48 00	10 00	22 00	5 00	5 00	4 00			36 00	26 50	104 12	
Conwayboro' Circuit	200	103 35	25	9 20	17 00	9 40	8 00	5 00	24 00	3 00	10 00	2 00	3 00	3 00						
Pee Dee Circuit	450	341 40	50	38 00	33 00	15 00	16 00	10 00	47 00	20 00	22 00	10 00	5 00	5 00			33 50	332 00	61 00	
Marion Circuit	850	500 00	85	52 00	56 00	50 00	27 00	15 00	81 00	30 00	37 00	5 00	8 00	8 00			6 58		34 85	
Totals	8,495	7,278 14	1,000	879 11	648 50	523 06	315 35	280 35	943 65	599 65	425 85	269 65	91 65	90 65			531 73	1,563 50	468 35	
SPARTANBURG DISTRICT.																				
Spartanburg Station	1,100	1,100 00	175	175 00	170 00	170 00	72 00	72 00	195 00	195 00	118 00	118 00	13 00	13 00			65 95	75 00	76 00	
Union Station	800	700 00	100	70 00	50 00	50 00	25 00	10 00	72 00	10 00	42 00	23 50	8 00	8 30			8 00		60 00	
Cherokee Circuit	450	245 00	70	38 00	30 00	26 00	15 00	10 00	25 00	22 25	15 00	16 00	5 00	5 00			28 35		15 00	
Cane Creek Circuit	345	300 00	75	64 00	17 00	9 00	10 00	6 00	40 00	21 00	20 00	11 00	3 00	3 00			7 00	25 00	87 00	
Jonesville Circuit	700	610 15	100	88 00	40 00	36 00	20 00	16 00	70 00	55 00	20 00	20 00	8 00	8 00			15 00	40 00	35 00	
Goshen Hill Circuit	700	575 00	100	75 00	59 00	31 00	19 00	20 00	62 00	25 00	21 00	21 00	7 00	7 00			22 00	400 00	23 00	
Laurens Circuit	1,175	855 83	110	76 00	75 00	45 00	30 00	25 00	88 00	45 00	34 00	25 15	7 00	7 00			20 00	375 00	130 40	
Limetone Springs Circuit	600	600 00	90	90 00	30 00	30 00	19 00	19 00	56 00	36 00	22 00	14 00	7 00	7 00			21 35	250 00	5 00	
Black's Station	200	100 00	30	27 00	4 00		4 00	4 00	8 00		7 00		3 00	3 00			30 00	939 15		
Clinton Circuit	700	462 20	80	52 50	17 00	17 00	10 00	10 00	45 00	33 20	13 00	5 00	3 00	3 00						
Belmont Circuit	550	424 81	105	81 09	42 00	42 00	21 00	6 00	62 00	13 60	26 00	3 20	7 00	7 00					577 48	52 87
Gowansville Circuit	200	109 20	35	21 90	8 00	5 00	8 00	5 00	20 00		8 00	2 50	3 00	3 00			1 00	9 00	75	
Rich Hill Circuit	525	253 00	90	50 50	30 00	9 00	20 00	7 00	65 00	6 50	25 00	7 00	4 00	4 00					3 00	
Totals	8,045	6,335 19	1,160	908 99	572 00	470 00	273 00	210 00	808 00	462 55	371 00	260 35	78 00	78 00			218 65	2,690 55	488 02	

COKESBURY DISTRICT.																					
Cokesbury Station	700	575 68	100	82 40	55 00	33 60	20 00	20 00	80 00	45 00	40 00	26 20	6 00	6 00			65 00	52 00	36 12
Cokesbury Circuit	950	782 12	140	113 75	70 00	42 00	35 00	15 00	105 00	40 00	48 00	20 00	8 00	8 00				45 00	14 20
Abbeville Station	700	125 00	85	75 00	45 00	45 00	20 00	20 00	60 00	53 50	35 00	35 00	8 00	8 00			30 00	70 00	46 00
Abbeville Circuit	800	557 00	55	30 00	80 00	30 00	30 00	20 00	80 00	30 00	40 00	18 65	8 00	8 00			15 00		10 00
South Abbeville Circuit	800	484 67	75	53 00	40 00	24 00	25 00	14 00	75 00	49 00	25 00	14 00	5 00	5 00			31 00	46 00	9 00
Lowndesville Station	1,000	711 50	135	100 00	75 00	50 00	40 00	40 00	100 00	50 00	45 00	35 50	10 00	10 00			33 00	133 30	20 00
Tumbling Shoals	800	605 00	110	85 00	65 00	42 00	30 00	30 00	100 00	65 00	35 00	10 00	8 00	8 00			20 00	25 00	9 00
Greenwood Circuit	1,200	988 00	165	135 00	75 00	75 00	35 00	55 00	110 00	84 00	50 00	50 00	10 00				58 00	320 00	
Newberry Station	1,000	737 20	130	80 00	75 00	80 20	30 00	30 00	100 00	105 10	40 00	40 00	9 00	9 00			37 00		30 00
Newberry Circuit	1,200	1,080 00	140	140 00	75 00	75 00	35 00	35 00	105 00	105 00	50 00	50 00	10 00	10 00			50 00	100 00	45 00
North Newberry Circuit	800	510 00	40	30 00	25 00	25 00	10 00	15 00	20 00	20 00	20 00	20 00	5 00	5 00			23 50		23 00
Saluda Circuit	700	726 00	100	100 00	80 00	40 00	30 00	23 70	70 00	25 00	40 00	15 00	8 00	8 00					
Totals	10,650	7,882 17	1,275	1,024 15	760 00	561 80	340 00	317 70	1,005 00	671 60	468 00	334 35	95 00	95 00			362 50	791 30	242 32
GREENVILLE DISTRICT.																			
Greenville Station	900	900 00	150	150 00	60 00	68 00	29 00	39 00	88 00	100 00	40 00	45 00	8 00	10 00			45 85	150 00	30 00
Greenville Circuit	540	404 50	90	67 00	36 25	24 95	17 35	11 10	53 00	28 60	23 90	8 85	4 50	7 00			40 00	300 00	10 00
Reidville Circuit	620	620 00	100	100 00	54 00	54 00	31 00	31 00	50 00	50 00	33 00	33 00	8 00	8 00			23 00	200 00	5 00
Fork Shoals Circuit	440	344 53	50	39 15	32 00	12 00	15 00	6 00	47 00	13 00	21 00	10 10	4 00	4 00			4 50	400 00	6 50
Williamston Station	280	298 25	50	53 26	24 00	30 00	12 00	15 18	35 00	35 00	16 00	16 00	3 00	3 00			34 00		37 00
Brushy Creek Circuit	400	162 60	50	20 00	32 00	20 00	15 00	3 50	47 00	5 00	21 00		4 00	4 00			10 00	25 00	
Anderson Station	600	601 02	60	60 00	40 00	16 00	19 00	7 00	59 00	25 60	27 00	12 00	5 00	5 00			14 25	344 73	4 00
Anderson Cir and Miss	300	244 30	30	27 00	16 00	10 00	8 00	5 10	24 00	9 00	11 00	4 25	2 00	2 00			18 50	21 00	4 80
Shallow Ford Circuit	325	256 60	50	37 40	22 00	8 50	8 00	5 70	35 00	7 80	11 00	4 00	4 00	4 00			2 00	100 00	7 00
Pendleton Circuit	500	500 00	70	70 00	35 00	35 00	16 00	16 00	45 00	45 00	20 00	20 00	6 00	6 00				30 00	15 00
Sandy Springs	500	342 99	55	34 30	27 50	27 50	13 00	13 00	38 50	38 50	17 00	17 00	4 00	4 00			5 00	100 00	18 00
Pickens Circuit	650	325 82	65	32 58	32 00	10 30	15 00	2 00	41 00	4 00	21 00	2 00	4 00	4 00			25 60	1.125 25	4 00
Pickens Mission	166	79 20	30	13 31	16 00		70	8 00	50	24 00	1 00	11 00	2 00	1 00			2 95	12 00	2 00
Walhalla and Seneca	460	347 70	70	53 40	34 00	15 00	15 00	5 00	40 00	10 00	20 00	5 00	4 00	4 00			75 00		100 00
Oconee Mission	200	66 70	30	10 00	16 00	2 00	8 00	2 00	23 00	3 00	21 00	1 50	2 00	50			6 00	165 00	3 00
Westminster Circuit	250	170 32	50	34 06	32 00	4 00	15 00	7 00	47 00	15 00	21 00	2 00	4 00	2 00			15 00	100 00	
Totals	7,131	5,664 53	1,000	801 46	508 75	337 95	242 35	169 08	696 50	390 50	334 90	180 70	68 50	68 50			321 65	3,072 98	246 30

RECAPITULATION.

DISTRICTS.	Assessment for Pastor and Assistants.	Collected for Pastor and Assistants.	Assessment for Presiding Elder.	Collected for Presiding Elder.	Assessment for Conference Collections.	Collected for Conference Collections.	Assessment for Foreign Missions.	Collected for Foreign Missions.	Assessment for Domestic Missions.	Collected for Domestic Missions.	Assessment for Education.	Collected for Education.	Assessment for Bishop.	Collected for Bishop.	Assessment for Educ'g Cand'ts for Ministry.	Collected for Educ'g Cand'ts for Ministry.	For Sunday Schools.	For Building & Repairing Ch's, Parson'gs, Sch'l Houses, &c.	For other Benevolent Enterprises.
Charleston....	11,205 00	8,102 80	1,570 00	1 267 54	755 00	496 11	360 00	235 50	1,105 00	488 10	500 00	150 00	105 00	100 00	42 00	34 00	1,019 73	5,443 50	3,274 47
Orangeburg...	7.935 00	6,968 97	850 00	710 18	510 00	4 7 50	266 00	257 10	750 00	516 97	352 00	198 10	70 00	74 00	.....	.....	310 68	1,215 50	180 80
Columbia.....	11,314 75	8,914 51	1,750 00	1,411 52	700 00	528 00	345 00	253 25	996 00	546 00	475 00	281 60	95 00	95 00	101 00	64 85	541 51	2,115 85	1,132 99
Sumter.....	9.135 00	7,001 85	1,500 00	1,136 19	661 00	470 50	327 00	216 25	836 00	334 49	441 00	215 75	90 00	90 00	.....	.....	203 30	2,669 00	293 80
Florence.....	8,300 00	6,352 53	1,225 00	886 96	540 00	345 23	267 00	187 40	791 00	367 14	358 00	165 81	73 00	70 25	.....	.....	332 63	1.161 85	577 15
Marion	8 495 00	7,278 14	1,000 00	879 11	648 50	523 06	315 35	280 35	943 65	599 65	425 85	269 65	91 65	90 65	.....	.....	531 73	1,563 50	468 35
Spartanburg..	8,045 00	6,335 19	1,160 00	908 99	572 00	470 00	273 00	210 00	808 00	462 55	371 00	260 35	78 00	78 00	20 00	20 00	218 65	2,690 55	488 02
Cokesbury.....	10,650 00	7.882 17	1,275 00	1,024 15	760 00	561 80	340 00	317 70	1,005 00	671 60	468 00	334 35	95 00	95 00	.....	.....	362 50	791 30	242 32
Greenville.....	7.131 00	5,664 53	1,000 00	801 46	508 75	337 95	242 35	169 08	696 50	390 50	334 90	180 70	68 50	68 50	.....	.....	321 65	3,072 98	246 30
Totals for 1877	82 210 75	64,500 69	11,330 00	9,026 10	5,655 25	4,190 15	2,735 70	2,126 63	7,931 15	4,377 00	3,725 75	2,056 31	766 15	761 40	163 00	118 85	3,842 38	20,724 03	6,904 20
Totals for 1876	82,448 00	62,116 62	11 593 88	8,750 70	7,969 00	4,902 98	2,955 60	2,030 41	6,134 00	3,467 77	3,243 00	1 809 44	814 00	776 00	.....	.....	3,166 08	25,428 79	6,660 29
Increase.....	....	2,384 07	.....	275 40	....	....	....	96 22	1,797 15	909 23	482 75	246 87	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	243 91
Decrease.....	237 25	....	263 88	....	2,313 75	712 83	219 90	....	.....	.....	....	.....	47 85	14 60	.....	.....	.....	4,704 76	.....

COMPARATIVE RANK OF DISTRICTS—Shown by Amounts Apportioned and Collected for Salaries and Conference Claims, for 1877.

Rank in Salaries.	DISTRICTS.	Salaries.				Conference Claims.				
		Amounts Apportioned for Salaries.	Collected for the same.	Deficit.	Deficiency per cent.	Missions, Con. Collections, Education, and Bishops.	Collected for the same.	Deficit.	Deficiency per cent.	Rank in Con. Claims.
1	Marion District: H. A. C. Walker, P. E.	$9,495 00	$8,157 25	$1,337 75	14	$2,427	$1,763 36	$663 64	27	2
2	Greenville District: O. A. Darby, P. E.	8,131 00	6,465 99	1,665 01	20	2,046	1,146 73	899 27	40	5
3	Columbia District: E. J. Meynardie, P. E.	13,064 75	10,326 03	2,738 72	20½	3,278	1,703 85	1,574 15	48	8
4	Cokesbury District: Manning Brown, P. E.	11,925 00	9,406 32	2,518 68	21	2,797	1,980 45	816 55	29	3
5	Orangeburg District: Wm. Martin, P. E.	8,785 00	6,925 39	1,859 61	21½	2,028	1,503 67	524 33	25	1
6	Spartanburg District: H. M. Mood, P. E.	9,205 00	7,244 18	2,060 82	22	2,103	1,480 90	622 10	29½	4
7	Sumter District: A. M. Chrietzberg, P. E.	10,635 00	8.133 04	2,501 96	23	2,516	1,326 19	1,189 81	47	7
8	Florence District: Wm. C. Power, P. E.	9,525 00	7,239 49	2,295 55	24	2,103	1,135 83	967 17	45	6
9	Charleston District: T. E. Wannamaker	12.775 00	9,370 34	3.404 66	26	3.215	1,469 71	1 808 29	53	9

COMPARATIVE RANK OF CHARGES IN THE CONFERENCE, AS SHOWN BY THE DEFICIENCY PER CENT. IN SALARIES AND CONFERENCE CLAIMS, FOR 1877.

Rank in Salaries.	DISTRICTS AND CHARGES.	Deficiency per ct. Salaries.	Deficiency per ct. Conference Claims.	Rank in Conference Claims.
		p.c.	p.c.	R'k
	CHARLESTON DISTICT.	19	.....	.....
1	Trinity	0	9	2
2	Bethel	5	8	1
3	Bamberg	6	35	4
4	St. George's	12	59	7
5	Cypress	13	62	9
6	Cainhoy	23¼	83	13
7	Spring Street	23¾	56	6
8	Black Swamp	27	65	10
9	Colleton	28	60	8
10	Walterboro'	36	29	3
11	Berkley	45	81	12
12	Yemassee,	47	50	5
13	Allendale	48	70	11
14	Summerville	71	†	.....
15	Hardeeville	74	†	.....
	ORANGEBURG DISTRICT	16	.....	.....
1	Orangeburg Station	0	0	1
1	Branchville	0	45	8
3	Graham's	8	8	3
4	St. Matthew's	9	12	4
5	Upper St. Matthew's	17	33	6
6	Orangeburg Circuit.	19	36	7
7	Providence	21	0	1
8	Upper Orange	24	54	9
9	Edisto Circuit	39	29	5
10	Williston	47	72	10
11	Edisto Mission	83	†	.....
	Aiken Mission	.....	.....	.....
	Graniteville Mission	.....	.....	.....
	COLUMBIA DISTRICT.	19½	.....	.....
1	Chester Station	0	0	1
1	Winnsboro' Station	0	83	14
3	Edgefield Circuit	9	8	3
4	Leesville Circuit	9½	22	7
5	Rock Hill	13	46	9
6	West Chester	13½	19	6
7	Yorkville Station	14	77	13
8	Fairfield Circuit	14½	17	4
9	Washington Street	20	17½	5
10	East Chester	24	47	10
11	Lexington Fork	26	45	8
12	Marion Street	37	0	1
13	York Circuit	38	57	11
14	Columbia Circuit	42	75	12
	SUMTER DISTRICT.	24	.....	.....
1	Sumter Station	0	0	1
2	Fort Mill Circuit	11	0	1
3	Hanging Rock	16	34	6
4	Lancaster Station	17	40	7
5	Camden	19	0	1
6	Zoar Circuit	20	73	11
7	Chesterfield Circuit	20¼	30	5
8	Manning Circuit	20½	52	8
9	Santee	26	8	4
10	Bishopville	31	65½	10
11	South Chesterfield	34	73½	12
12	Sumter Circuit	43	65	9
13	Richland Fork	44	80	13
	FLORENCE DISTRICT.	21	.....	.....
1	Florence Station	0	25	4
1	Darlington Station	0	39	9
3	Liberty Chapel	6	31	5
4	Georgetown	7	62	12
5	North Williamsburg	13	32	6
6	Lower Darlington	18	54	10
7	Lynchburg Circuit	23	20	3
8	Gourdin Circuit	23½	34½	8
9	Kingstree	24	57	11
10	Cheraw	34	34	7
11	Darlington Circuit	35	63	13
12	Johnsonville	36	11	2
13	Sampit	42	82	16
14	Black River	47	0	1
15	Timmonsville	50	80	14
16	Society Hill	75	0	1
	MARION DISTRICT.	12	.....	.....
1	Bennettsville	0	26	5
1	Bucksville Station	0	38	8
1	Little Rock	0	24	4
4	South Marlboro'	7	5	2
5	Marion Station	10	0	1
6	Little River	9	0	1
7	North Marlboro'	14	32½	7
8	Conwayboro' Station	14¼	68	12
9	Buck Swamp	14½	12	3
10	Waccamaw Circuit	22	32	6
11	Pee Dee Circuit	24	51	10
12	Marion Circuit	40	48	9
13	Conwayboro' Circuit	49	60	11
	SPARTANBURG DIST.	21	.....	.....
1	Spartanburg Station	0	0	1
1	Limestone Spring	0	26	4
3	Union Station	10	43	9
4	Jonesville	12	14	2
5	Cane Creek	13	44	10
6	Goshen Hill	18	38	8
7	Clinton	21	22	5
8	Belmont	22	36	7
9	Laurens	27	32	6
10	Gowansville	43	67	11
11	Black's Station	44	70	12
12	Cherokee	45	18	3
13	Rich Hill	50	76	13
	COKESBURY DISTRICT.	19	.....	.....
1	Saluda Circuit	0	51	10
2	Newberry Circuit	9	0	1
3	Greenwood Circuit	17	27	5
4	Cokesbury Station	17¼	34	8
5	Cokesbury Circuit	17½	53	11

†No Collection.

COMPARATIVE RANK OF CHARGES.—[Continued.]

	COKESBURY DISTRICT.	p.c.	p.c.	R'k
6	Tumbling Shoals	24	30	6
7	Newberry Station	27	0	1
8	Lowndesville	28	31	7
9	Abbeville Circuit	31	55	12
10	North Newberry	35	0	1
11	South Abbeville	38	37	9
12	*Abbeville Station	74	3	4
	GREENVILLE DISTRICT.	19	.....	.....
1	Greenville Station	0	0	1
1	Reidville Circuit	0	0	1
1	Williamston	0	0	1
1	Pendleton Circuit	0	0	1
1	Anderson Station	0	53	8
6	Anderson Circuit	11	50	7
7	Shallow Ford	21	62	10
8	Fork Shoals	21½	53½	9
9	Walhalla and Seneca	24	65	11
10	Greenville Circuit	25	40	6

	GREENVILLE DIST.	p.c.	p.c.	R'k
11	Sandy Springs	30	0	1
12	Westminster	31	74	13
13	Pickens Circuit	49	80	14
14	Pickens Mission	52	94	16
15	Brushy Creek	59	72	12
16	Oconee	66	87	15
	SURPLUS REPORTED BY			
	A. C. Smith, Greenville Station		$37	00
	S. Lander, Williamston		31	69
	H. F. Chrietzberg, Anderson Station		1	02
	C. Pritchard, Newberry Station		10	30
	J. A. Clifton, Saluda Circuit		26	00
	A. J. Stafford, Florence Station		16	51

*This must be a mistake, but the Editor knows not who is responsible for it. Only $125.00 is reported as paid the Pastor.

RANK OF DISTRICT FROM 1870.

Charleston District,	A. M. Chrietzberg,	P. E.			1870	1	1
"	"	"		"	1871	1	1
"	"	W. Mouzon,		"	1872	1	3
"	"	"	"	"	1873	2	2
"	"	"	"	"	1874	7	3
"	"	"	"	"	1875	5	5
"	"	T. E. Wannamaker,		"	1876	4	6
"	"	"	"	"	1877	9	9
Orangeburg District,	D. J. Simmons,	P. E.			1870	3	7
"	"	F. M. Kennedy,		"	1871	4	5
"	"	H. A. C. Walker		"	1872	3	7
"	"	"	"	"	1873	5	6
"	"	"	"	"	1874	3	6
"	"	Wm. Martin,		"	1875	5	7
"	"	"	"	"	1876	3	4
"	"	"	"	"	1877	5	1
Columbia District,	S. H. Browne,	P. E.			1870	6	4
"	"	"	"	"	1871	5	3
"	"	"	"	"	1872	2	4
"	"	"	"	"	1873	1	4
"	"	W. H. Fleming		"	1874	4	7
"	"	"	"	"	1875	3	1
"	"	E. J. Meynardie		"	1876	1	2
"	"	"	"	"	1877	3	8
Sumter District,	"	"	"		1870		
"	"	W. H. Fleming,	P. E.		1871	6	4
"	"	"	"	"	1872	6	6
"	"	"	"	"	1873	6	7
"	"	A. M. Chrietzberg		"	1874	5	4
"	"	"	"	"	1875	2	2
"	"	"	"	"	1876	5	7
"	"	"	"	"	1877	7	7

Florence District, Wm. C. Power, P. E.	1876	6	5
" " " " "	1877	8	6
Marion District, J. W. Kelly, P. E.	1870	4	4
" " " " "	1871	3	3
" " " " "	1872	7	5
" " " " "	1873	8	5
" " Wm. C. Power, "	1874	1	1
" " " " "	1875	7	4
" " W. H. Fleming "	1876	7	3
" " H. A. C. Walker, "	1877	1	2
Spartanburg District, R. P. Franks, P. E.	1870	2	5
" " T. G. Herbert, "	1871	7	5
" " " " "	1872	5	7
" " " " "	1873	4	3
" " " " "	1874	6	2
" " H. M. Mood, "	1875	6	7
" " " " "	1876	2	8
" " " " "	1877	6	4
Cokesbury District, W. H Fleming, P. E.	1870	5	2
" " H. M. Mood, "	1871	2	2
" " " " "	1872	4	2
" " " " "	1873	3	1
" " " " "	1874	2	5
" " M. Brown "	1875	1	3
" " " " "	1876	8	1
" " " " "	1877	4	3
Greenville District, A. B. Stephens, P. E.	1870	7	6
" " R. P. Franks, "	1871	8	8
" " " " "	1872	8	8
" " " " "	1873	7	8
" " " " "	1874	8	8
" " O. A. Darby, "	1875	8	8
" " " " "	1876	9	9
" " " " "	1877	2	5

I. AGGREGATE FOR SALARIES APPORTIONED AND COLLECTED FROM 1868 TO 1877 INCLUSIVE.

Carefully prepared, showing the number of preachers for whom apportionments were made, amount apportioned and collected for their support. Averages of salary and deficiency per cent. The years 1868 and 1869 take in only that portion of the Conference now embraced in its territory.—A. M. C.

Years.	Aggregate for Salaries of Presiding Elders and Pastors.						
	Number of Preachers.	Amount Apportioned.	Amount Collected.	Deficit.	Average Salary Apportion'd	Average Salary Collected.	Deficiency per cent.
1868.....	103	No return.	$46,158 04	.....	.....	$448	.....
1869.....	99	No return.	54,769 75	.....	.....	553	.....
1870.....	104	$69,184 00	59,518 67	$9,665 33	$665	572	13
1871.....	111	74,780 00	64,857 90	9,922 10	673	584	11
1872.....	123	77,236 00	70,728 94	6,507 06	627	575	8
1873.....	123	84,196 38	73,395 08	10,801 30	684	597	12
1874.....	126	87,991 00	78,435 39	9 555 61	698	622	10
1875.....	130	89,049 00	77,076 07	11,972 93	684	592	13
1876.....	133	94,041 88	70,167 98	23,873 90	707	527	25
1877.....	151	93,545 75	73,526 79	20,018 96	619	486	21½

AGGREGATE FOR CONFERENCE COLLECTIONS, MISSIONS, EDUCATION, AND BISHOPS.

Years.	Apportioned.	Collected.	Deficit.	Deficiency per cent.
1868.....	$23.700 00	$7,083 71	$16,616 29	70
1869.....	25,700 00	9,449 06	16,250 94	63
1870.....	26,000 00	10,334 41	15,665 50	60
1871.....	26,000 00	10,661 28	15,338 72	58
1872.....	23 210 00	12,781 92	10.428 08	40
1873.....	18,075 00	12,207 73	5,867 27	32
1874.....	18,375 00	13,850 01	4,524 99	24
1875.....	22,250 00	14,761 50	7,488 50	33
1876.....	21,625 00	12,986 60	8,638 40	39
1877.....	22,542 00	13,551 49	8.990 51	39

IX.

CONFERENCE REGISTER FOR 1877.

Abbreviations—E, Elder; D, Deacon; E Sy, Supernumerary; E Sd, Superannuated.

	NAMES.	Year Entered the Conference.	Yrs on Districts	Yrs on Stations	Years on Circuits.	Years on Missions.	In Colleges, Army, Local.	Supernumery.	Superannuated	Years in All.	Present Relation.	POSTOFFICES FOR 1878.
	Attaway, John	Nov. 1864	...	...	13	.....	.....	...	...	13	E	Williamston.
	Auld, Fred	Dec. 1858	...	8	10	1	.....	...	...	19	E	Little Rock.
	Avant, A. P	Dec. 1844	...	...	20	11	.....	...	2	33	E	Spartanburg.
	†Archer, E. L	Dec. 1873	...	...	4	.....	.....	...	...	4	E	Spartanburg.
5	Ariail, W. H	Dec. 1874	...	...	2	1	.....	...	...	3	D	Columbia.
	Ariail, Jas. W	Dec. 1876	...	...	2	.....	.....	...	...	2	D	Wright's Bluff.
	Banks, M. L	Dec. 1847	...	...	19	8	.....	1	2	30	E	St. Matthews.
	Beasley, J. S	Dec. 1870	...	...	7	.....	.....	...	...	7	E	Sumter.
	Boyd, Geo. M	Dec. 1870	...	...	7	.....	.....	...	...	7	E	Jonesville.
10	Brown, Manning	Nov. 1857	3	7	7	1	2	...	...	20	E	Cokesbury.
	Browne, S. H	Dec. 1845	12	3	12	3	2	...	...	32	E	Columbia.
	Byars, D. D	Dec. 1849	...	...	18	5	.....	2	4	29	E Sd	Anderson C. H.
	Boyd, Marion J	Dec. 1869	...	...	8	.....	.....	...	...	8	E	Rock Hill.
	Barber, R. W	Dec. 1872	...	1	4	.....	.....	...	...	5	E	Orangeburg.
15	†Beaty, L. H	Dec. 1873	...	...	4	.....	.....	...	...	4	E	Newberry.
	Bissell, J. C	Dec. 1873	...	...	4	.....	.....	...	...	4	E	Abbeville.
	Boozer, B. M	Dec. 1876	...	...	2	.....	.....	...	...	2	D	Black's Station
	Chrietzberg, A. M	Jan. 1839	15	7	15	2	.....	...	...	39	E	Newberry C.H.
	Campbell, J. B	Nov. 1859	...	3	11	3	1	...	...	18	E	Union C. H.
20	Capers, W. T	Dec. 1844	...	19	2	.....	12	...	...	33	E	Georgetown.
	Carson, Wm	Jan. 1842	...	...	22	12	2	...	...	36	E	Georgetown.
	Carlisle, J. M	Dec. 1844	...	5	16	.....	11	1	...	33	E	Spartanburg.
	Cauthen, A. J	Jan. 1849	...	4	17	8	.....	...	...	29	E	Graham's.
	Clarke, W. A	Dec. 1850	...	...	22	5	.....	...	...	27	E	Greenwood.
25	Clyde, T. J	Nov. 1859	...	2	16	.....	.....	...	...	18	E	Chester.
	Coburn, J. R	Jan. 1829	...	...	6	42	.....	...	1	49	E Sd	Graham X R.
	Connolly, M. A	Nov. 1854	...	...	18	.....	.....	...	5	23	E Sd	Rock Hill.
	Clifton, J. A	Dec. 1869	...	...	8	.....	.....	...	...	8	E	Saluda.
	Chrietzberg, H. F	Dec. 1873	...	3	1	.....	.....	...	...	4	E	Anderson C. H.
30	Carlisle, J. E	Dec. 1873	...	4	.....	.....	.....	...	...	4	E	Chester.
	Counts, J. C	Dec. 1874	...	...	3	.....	.....	...	...	3	D	Effingham.
	Dagnall, R. R	Nov. 1857	...	...	14	2	4	...	...	20	E	Goshen Hill.
	Darby, O. A	Dec. 1851	4	13	9	.....	.....	...	...	26	E	Williamston.
	Derrick, David	Jan. 1827	8	1	17	3	.....	...	22	51	E Sd	Columbia.
35	Duffie, R. L	Dec. 1866	...	...	11	.....	.....	...	...	11	E	Lancaster C H.
	Duncan, W. W	.....	...	...	.....	.....	2	...	...	2	E	Spartanburg.
	Danner, A. R	Dec. 1871	...	...	6	.....	.....	...	...	6	E	Yemassee.
	Dantzler, D. D	Dec. 1871	...	1	5	.....	.....	...	...	6	E	Sumter.
	Dickson, J. W	Dec. 1872	...	3	2	.....	.....	...	...	5	E	Columbia.
40	*Daniels, T. S	Feb. 1835	...	2	23	5	10	1	1	42	E Sd	
	Dantzler, D. Z	Dec. 1876	...	...	2	.....	.....	...	...	2	D	St. Matthews.
	Ervin, Abner	Jan. 1847	...	...	18	8	.....	5	...	31	E	Anderson C. H.
	Elwell, S. P. H	Dec. 1867	...	...	10	.....	.....	...	...	10	E	Abbeville.
	England, J. F	Dec. 1869	..	1	5	.....	.....	2	..	8	E	Clinton.
45	Finger, John	Dec. 1848	...	...	24	5	.....	...	...	29	E Sd	Williamston.
	*Fleming, W. H	Feb. 1841	14	8	8	6	1	...	...	37	E	
	Franks, R. P	Dec. 1843	12	3	15	4	.....	...	...	34	E	Lowndesville.
	Fishburn, C. C	Dec. 1871	...	...	6	.....	.....	...	...	6	E	Folk's Store.
	Ferguson, M. M	Dec. 1874	...	...	2	1	.....	...	...	3	E	
50	Gantt, A. G	Dec. 1869	...	...	6	1	1	...	...	8	E	McClellanville.
	Gatlin, G. W	Dec. 1870	...	...	7	.....	.....	...	...	7	E	Johnsonville.
	Harper, R. L	Dec. 1866	...	9	1	.....	1	...	...	11	E	Marion.
	Herbert, T. G	Dec. 1858	4	...	15	.....	.....	...	...	19	E	Newberry.
	Hill, S. J	Dec. 1856	...	2	17	.....	2	...	...	21	E	Mullins.
55	Humbert, J. W	Nov. 1859	...	10	8	.....	.....	...	...	18	E	Laurens.
	Hutto, Wm	Dec. 1849	...	...	22	6	.....	...	...	28	E	Rich Hill.
	Harmon, G. T	Dec. 1869	...	2	6	.....	.....	...	...	8	E	Clio.

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	Hamer, L. M.	Dec.* 1853	...	1	16	.....	5	2	...	24	E	
	Hodges, E. T.	Dec. 1869	..	...	7	.....	...	...	...	7	E	Cokesbury.
60	Hartin, Felix.	Dec. 1874	...	...	3	.....	.....	...	...	3	D	Kingstree.
	Johnson, L. A.	Dec. 1847	...	6	9	6	3	6	...	30	Sy	Yorkville.
	Jones, B. G.	Dec. 1863	...	...	23	1	.....	...	...	24	E	Hardeeville.
	Jones, S. B.	Nov. 1854	...	2	3	.....	8	10	...	23	E	Pendleton.
	Jones, Simpson	Jan. 1838	...	...	36	.....	.....	1	3	40	E Sy	Swift Creek.
65	Jones, W. W.	Dec. 1849	...	...	27	1	.....	...	...	28	E	Conwayboro'.
	Jackson, A. W.	Dec. 1874	...	...	.....	3	.....	...	...	3	D	Greenville.
	Kelly, J. W.	Dec. 1843	8	2	21	3	.....	..	...	34	E	Batesboro'.
	Kennedy, F. M.	Nov. 1854	5	7	1	.....	9	1	...	23	E	Macon, Ga.
	Kilgo, J. T.	Dec. 1856	...	...	26	.....	.....	...	..	26	E	Marion C. H.
70	Kistler, P. F.	Jan. 1846	...	..	30	.....	1	...	...	31	E	St. George's.
	Kirkland, W. D.	Dec. 1870	...	5	2	.....	.....	...	...	7	E	Mar's Bluff.
	Kirton, W. H.	Dec. 1873	...	...	4	.....	.....	...	...	4	E	Pleasant Hill.
	Lander, Sam'l.	Nov. 1864	...	2	.....	.....	4	...	...	13	E	Williamston.
	Lawton, W. H.	Dec. 1852	...	1	13	8	.....	3	...	25	E	Allendale.
75	Lester, A. H.	Dec. 1851	...	9	8	.....	6	3	...	26	E	Florence.
	Little, J. R.	Dec. 1863	...	7	3	1	.....	3	...	14	E	Little Rock.
	Little, L. M.	Jan. 1840	...	...	35	.....	.....	...	...	35	E	Columbia.
	Loyal, L. C.	Dec. 1868	...	...	6	3	.....	...	...	9	E	Brighton.
	Martin, Wm.	Feb. 1828	4	11	9	9	12	4	1	50	E	Columbia.
80	Massebeau, J. B.	Dec. 1858	...	3	15	.....	1	...	...	19	E	Lydia.
	Melton, N. K.	Dec. 1860	...	...	16	1	.....	...	...	17	E	Orangeburg.
	Meynardie, E. J.	Dec. 1848	3	16	9	.....	1	...	...	29	E	Columbia.
	Mitchell, T	Dec. 1848	...	8	10	6	.....	5	...	29	E	Bennettsville.
	Mood, H. M.	Jan. 1842	7	7	11	2	9	...	...	36	E	Spartanburg.
85	Mood, J. A.	Jan. 1847	...	6	13	9	1	...	1	30	E	Graniteville.
	Mood, W. W.	Dec. 1850	...	9	14	4	.....	...	...	27	E	Cross Keys.
	Mouzon, W. P.	Jan. 1838	9	15	15	.....	1	...	...	40	E	Bamberg.
	Morgan, H. J.	Dec. 1860	...	...	14	.....	3	...	...	17	E	Kingstree.
	Munnerlyn, T. W.	Nov. 1859	...	...	11	3	....	4	...	18	E	Lydia.
90	Murray, J. W.	Dec. 1855	...	1	21	.....	.....	...	...	22	E	Chesterfield.
	Mann, C. D.	Dec. 1872	...	...	5	.....	.....	...	...	5	E	
	Merritt, E. M.	Dec. 1874	...	...	2	1	.....	...	...	3	D	
	McMillan, D. J.	Dec. 1860	...	2	14	1	.....	...	...	17	E	Manning.
	McRoy, J. W.	Nov. 1859	...	...	15	3	.....	...	...	18	E	Graham's X R.
95	McKibben, M. A.	Feb. 1836	...	3	33	5	.....	...	...	41	E	Williston.
	McKain, J. K.	Dec. 1871	...	...	6	.....	.....	...	...	6	E	Laurens.
	Martin, W. S.	Dec. 1876	...	2	.....	.....	.....	...	...	2	D	Lynchburg.
	Nettles, A.	Feb. 1835	...	...	19	20	.....	3	1	43	E Sd	
	Newberry, I. J.	Dec. 1873	...	...	4	.....	.....	...	...	4	E	
100	Neville, J. J.	Dec. 1874	...	...	3	.....	.....	...	...	3	D	
	Oliver, R. C.	Dec. 1862	...	...	6	1	5	4	...	16	E	Spartanburg.
	Pegues, W. L.	Jan. 1839	...	...	26	7	6	...	...	39	E	Timmonsville.
	*Pegues, R. R.	Dec. 1855	...	5	11	1	.....	2	3	22	E Sd	
	Patterson, W. C.	Feb. 1836	...	...	18	2	.....	..	22	42	E Sd	Waxhaw.
105	Pennington, E. J.	Dec. 1849	...	...	10	4	4	3	7	28	E Sd	Summerville.
	Platt, J. B.	Nov. 1865	...	...	12	.....	.....	...	...	12	E	Holly Hill.
	Porter, J. A.	Feb. 1841	1	16	17	3	.....	...	...	37	E	Winnsboro'.
	Philips, T. P.	Dec. 1874	...	...	3	.....	.....	...	...	3	D	
	Power, W. C.	Nov. 1857	4	5	5	.....	6	...	...	20	E	Charleston.
110	Pooser, G. H.	Dec. 1872	...	...	5	.....	.....	...	...	5	E	Ridgeville.
	Pritchard, C. H.	Feb. 1841	4	28	5	.....	.....	...	...	37	E	Sumter.
	Raysor, T.	Dec. 1850	3	...	22	2	.....	...	...	27	E	Branchville.
	Rogers, W. A.	Dec. 1872	...	1	4	.....	.....	...	...	5	E	Winnsboro'.
	Russell, J. C.	Dec. 1872	...	...	5	.....	.....	...	...	5	E	Gourdin.
115	Rowell, C. D.	Dec. 1873	...	...	4	.....	.....	...	...	4	E	Columbia.
	Rountree, O. N.	Dec. 1874	...	...	3	.....	.....	...	...	3	D	
	Scarboro, Lewis.	Jan. 1837	...	...	28	5	.....	...	8	41	E Sd	Mullins.
	Seal, David.	Feb. 1835	...	...	41	1	.....	...	1	43	E	
	Shipp, A. M.	Feb. 1841	2	4	2	.....	29	...	...	37	E	Nashville, Tenn

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120	Shuford, J. L.	Dec. 1844	...	...	18	15	.....	...	...	33		E	Wright's Bluff.
	Sifley, J. L.	Dec. 1860	...	...	17	.....	.....	...	...	17		E	Walterboro'.
	Simmons, D. J.	Feb. 1841	3	15	17	2	.....	3	...	37		E	Abbeville.
	Smith, Whitefoord.	Jan. 1833	1	23	2	.....	17	2	...	45		E	Spartanburg.
	Stafford, A. J.	Dec. 1863	...	6	4	3	.....	...	...	14		E	Bishopville.
125	Stokes, A. J.	Nov. 1859	...	9	8	.....	1	...	...	18		E	Sumter.
	Smart, R. D.	Dec. 1870	...	5	1	.....	.....	1	...	7		E	Greenwood.
	Smith, A. Coke.	Dec. 1872	...	5	.....	.....	.....	...	...	5		E	Greenville.
	Stoll, J. C.	Dec. 1858	...	...	18	1	.....	...	...	19		E	Florence.
	Smith, J. F.	Jan. 1842	...	...	11	.....	21	3	...	35		E	Spartanburg.
130	Stokes, J. Lemacks	Dec. 1874	...	...	3	.....	.....	...	...	3		L	Fort Mill.
	Townsend, J. W.	Feb. 1823	...	...	22	.....	.....	...	33	55	E	Sd	Cokesbury.
	Thomas, Wm.	Dec. 1868	...	4	5	.....	.....	...	...	9		E	Cheraw.
	Traywick, J. B.	Nov. 1865	...	...	12	.....	.....	...	...	12		E	
	Tiller, Dove.	Dec. 1871	...	3	3	.....	.....	...	...	6		E	Ellenton.
135	Vaughn, S. D.	Dec. 1874	...	...	3	.....	.....	...	...	3		D	Ridgeville.
	Walker, H. A. C.	Feb. 1831	18	11	9	1	8	...	...	47		E	Marion.
	Walker, A. W.	Nov. 1857	...	7	11	1	.....	1	...	20		E	
	Wannamaker, T. E.	Dec. 1868	2	2	10	.....	.....	...	...	14		E	Charleston.
	Watts, John.	Jan. 1825	...	...	39	1	.....	...	12	52	E	Sd	
140	Watson, J. E.	Dec. 1863	...	2	12	.....	.....	...	...	14		E	Ridgeway.
	Weber, S. A.	Dec. 1862	...	7	5	.....	3	...	...	15		E	Orangeburg.
	Wells, G. H.	Dec. 1858	...	6	10	.....	3	...	...	15		E	Timmonsville.
	Wightman, J. T.	Dec. 1847	1	28	1	.....	.....	...	...	30		E	Columbia.
	Wood, J. A.	Dec. 1860	...	1	6	2	.....	8	...	17		E	
145	Wood, Landy.	Nov. 1854	...	6	17	.....	.....	...	...	23		E	Conwayboro'.
	Workman, J. J.	Dec. 1860	...	...	17	.....	.....	...	...	17		E	Williamston.
	Wells, R. N.	Dec. 1870	...	3	4	.....	.....	...	...	7		E	Charleston.
	Wilson, J. B.	Dec. 1871	...	...	6	.....	.....	...	...	6		E	
	Wightman, Wm. S.	Dec. 1873	...	2	2	.....	.....	...	...	4		E	Columbia.
150	Whitman, G. W.	Dec. 1873	...	1	3	.....	.....	...	...	4		E	Charleston.
	Willson, J. O.	Dec. 1873	...	4	.....	.....	.....	...	...	4		E	Camden.
	Walker, G. W.	Dec. 1873	...	2	2	.....	.....	...	...	4		E	Darlington.
	Walker, A. C.	Dec. 1876	...	..	2	.....	.....	...	...	2		D	Bucksville.
	Williams, W. W.	Dec. 1874	...	...	3	.....	.....	...	...	3		D	Lancaster.
155	Wolling, J. W.	Dec. 1874	...	2	1	.....	.....	...	...	3		D	Lynchburg.
	Zimmerman, J. H.	Jan. 1838	...	...	35	4	1	...	...	40		E	Orangeburg.

*Died 1877. †Located 1878.

Preachers on Trial, 1877.—R. Herbert Jones, E. G. Price, A. B. Lee, T. E. Gilbert, A. C. LeGett, H. Bascom Browne, Wm. P. Meadors.

Preachers on Trial, 1878.—James Simons Meynardie, John W. Tarbourx, James S. Porter, J. Thomas Pate.

LAY DELEGATES.

Charleston District.—W. S. Utsey, Dr. H. Baer, Dr. W. B. Warren, Wm. Stokes. *Reserves:* Dr. P. Stokes, Dr. A. E. Williams.

Florence District.—J. C. Medlin, J. F. Carraway, W. J. McLeod, W. R. S. Lawson. *Reserves:* W. W. Moore, S. B. Newsom.

Marion District.—W. C. McMillan, James Norton, E. H. Gasque, Rev. W. B. Baker. *Reserves:* Rev. S. J. Bethea, E. T. Stackhouse.

Cokesbury District.—Rev. M. M. Boyd, F. A. Connor, T. S. Moorman, G. M. Mattison. *Reserves:* B. D. Kay, W. D. Sullivan.

Orangeburg District.—John N. Hook, J. W. Crum, Dr J. W. Summers, James Stokes. *Reserves:* M. J. Keller, Noah A. Whetstone, D. R. Barton.

Greenville District.—B. F. Few, G. W. Anderson, A. H. Cureton, Larkin Newton. *Reserves:* W. T. McGill, G. B. Thomason.

Spartanburg District.—J. H. Carlisle, S. S. Walker, J. R. Switzer, D. H. Sheldon. *Reserves:* S. M. Rice, A. A. Sarratt, L. P. Davenport, S. L. Hames

Sumter District.—F. A. Tradewell, A. A. Gilbert, W. L. DePass, Rev. C. W. Felder. *Reserves:* Dr. J. M. Burgess, Rev. W. S. Richardson, Evan Rollings, P. G. Benbow.

Columbia District.—H. C. Baughn, Rev. E. S. Lupo, W. T. D. Cousar, John A. Elkins. *Reserves:* H. T. Wright, Thomas Jordan, R. H. Jennings, Abram Jones.

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Names.	Official Relation.	Charge.	Postoffice.
Charleston District.			
Langley, Sam'l	E	Trinity	Charleston
Leadbetter, T E	E	Bethel	Charleston
Pelzer, Geo S	L	Bethel	Charleston
Blanchard, S S	L	Bethel	Charleston
Cannon, Lewis	E	Berkley Circuit	Mt. Holly
Murray, Jas W	L	Berkley Circuit	Monck's Corner
DuPre, Dan'l	E	Santee Mission	McClellanville
Brandon, J C C	L	Santee Mission	McClellanville
Wren, J	L	Santee Mission	McClellanville
Davis, J C	L	Cooper River	
Murray, H H	L	Cypress	Ridgeville
Ulmer Wm	E	St. George's	Reevesville
Brabham, M M	L	Bamberg	Buford's Bridge
Bellenger, Lucius		Bamberg	Bamberg
Snow, J J	E	Colleton	Midway
Stokes, J R	E	Black Swamp	Brighton
Orangeburg District.			
Mellard, T P	E	Providence	
Crum, L J	E	Orangeburg Circuit.	
Connor, J O A	E	Orangeburg Circuit	
Inabinet, John	E	Upper Orange	St. Matthew's
Austin, E	L	Edisto	St. Matthew's
Rast, Lewis	E	Upper Orange	St. Matthew's
Graham, W W	E	Williston	Williston
Smith, W W	D	Williston	Williston
Price E A	E	Edisto Mission	
Field, T S P	L	Aiken	Aiken
Tarrant, R B	E	Edisto Circuit	
Pettus, C		Orangeburg Station	Orangeburg
Packet, W R			
Columbia District.			
Micker, J B	E	York Circuit	
Brown, A B	E	East Chester	
Lupo, F C	E	Fairfield	
Chapel C	E	Fairfield	
Connor, J S	E	Winnsboro'	Winnsboro'
Senn, C	E	Lexington Circuit	Columbia
Lupo, D W	D	Lexington Circuit	
Barr, J W	E	Edgefield Circuit	Leesville
Taylor, Thos	L	Edgefield Circuit	
Taylor, Joshua	L	Leesville Circuit	
Thacker, W H	L		
Sumter District.			
Foxworth, D D	D	Sumter Circuit	Maysville
Richardson, W S	L	Sumter Circuit	Maysville
Felder, C W	E	Santee	Packsville
Way, T A	D	Santee	Wright's Bluff
Brailsford, Jos	D	Santee	Packsville
Brown, Nelson J	D	Santee	Fulton
Gallachut, Jos	L	Manning Circuit	Manning

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Craig, Hugh	L	Chesterfield Circuit...	Chesterfield
Shaw, Murdock	D	Chesterfield Circuit...	Lynchwood
Rainwater, W T	L	Chesterfield Circuit...	Cheraw
Moore, Wm	E	Chesterfield Circuit...	Mount Crogan
Turner, J H	D	Chesterfield Circuit...	Pine Tree
Plyler, Conrad	E	Zoar	Wild Cat
Florence District.			
Alexander, J W B	E	Darlington Circuit....	Cartersville
Byrd, Geo M	D	Darlington Circuit....	Philadelphia
Hendricks, Jos E	E	Darlington Circuit....	Lydia
Joy, Miles A	E	Darlington Circuit....	Timmonsville
Smith, W H	E	Lynchburg Circuit....	Lynchburg
Smith, Jessee P	E	Lynchburg Circuit....	Lynchburg
Baker, J M	D	Lynchburg Circuit....	Lynchburg
James Thos E	L	Lynchburg Circuit....	Lynch's Lake
Bartell, Jasper	D	Johnsonville Circuit...	Lynch's Creek
Huggins, J S	E	Johnsonville Circuit...	Johnsonville
Eady, Martin	E	Johnsonville Circuit...	Johnsonville
Price, E H	E	Johnsonville Circuit..	Johnsonville
Hamby, A	E	Florence and L B.....	Florence
McClenaghan, H	E	Florence and L B.....	Mars Bluff
Durant, Danl	L	Gourdin and Sampit..	Georgetown
Kirton, J M	L	Gourdin and Sampit..	Kingstree
Grier, L A	E	Black River Circuit...	Georgetown
Parker, S F	L	Lynch's Creek	Lynch's Creek
Reynolds, J J	E	Timmonsville	Cartersville
Marion District.			
Davis, J H	L	Marion Station..	Marion C H
LeGette, David	E	Marion Circuit	Marion C H
Bird, Stephen	D	Marion Circuit	Marion C H
Sweet, E L	L	Marion Circuit	Marion C H
LeGette, W F	L	Marion Circuit	Marion C H
Baker, W B	L	Marion Circuit	Marion C H
Gasque, S S	L	Marion Circuit	Lynch's Lake
Bethea, S J	E	Little Rock	Reedy Creek
Hays, Eben	E	Little Rock	Oak Grove
Campbell, S	L	Little Rock	Mulberry
Newton, C	E	Bennettsville	Bennettsville
Breeden, W K	E	Bennettsville	Bennettsville
Breeden, Thos J	L	Bennettsville	Bennettsville
Douglas, John	L	Bennettsville	Bennettsville
Carson, J F	L	Waccamaw Circuit...	Georgetown
Stalvey, Isaiah	D	Waccamaw Circuit...	Bucksville
Stalvey, Geo	L	Waccamaw Circuit...	Bucksville
Floyd, Jas	D	Pee Dee Circuit	Nichols
Kirton, J P	L	Pee Dee Circuit	
Smith, J L	E	Buck Swamp	Marion C H
Wilson, Wright	D	South Marlboro'	Clio
Sweat, N L	E	North Marlboro'	Cheraw

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Spartanburg District.			
Lee, Christenberry	E	Spartanburg Station	Spartanburg
Koger, J W	L	Spartanburg Station	Spartanburg
Moore, P D	E	Spartanburg Station	Spartanburg
Richardson, W R	L	Spartanburg Station	Spartanburg
Burdett, W H	E	Laurens Circuit	Laurens C H
Hayne, H M	E	Rich Hill	Pacolet
Oeland, P J	L	Rich Hill	Glenn Springs
Gault, Jas	.....	Jonesville	Jonesville
Cokesbury District.			
Boyd, M M	E	Newberry Circuit	Newberry C H
White, Z D	L	Newberry Station	Newberry C H
Buchanan, W R	D	Cokesbury Circuit	
Fernel, ———	D	Cokesbury Circuit	
Bouchell, J M	E	Little Saluda	
Harmon, A P	E	South Abbeville	
Bodie, J P	E	North Edgefield	
Greenville District.			
Green, Saml M	E	Greenville Circuit	Greenville
Hutchings, S B	D	Greenville Circuit	Buena Vista
Hughes, Caleb	L	Greenville Circuit	Buena Vista
Smith, Jas M	L	Greenville Circuit	Clear Spring
Barnes, C V	D	Anderson Circuit	Anderson C H
Whitaker, D L	E	Anderson Circuit	Holland's Store
Whitaker, H W	D	Anderson Circuit	Holland's Store
Hodges, W A	E	Anderson Circuit	Holland's Store
Bowman, Wm	E	Brushy Creek	Brushy Creek
Smith, Fletcher	E	Seneca Circuit	Walhalla
Morgan, F M	E	Walhalla	Walhalla
Maulden, T B	E	Walhalla	Walhalla
Penny, H E	E	Walhalla	Walhalla
Maulden, Mabry	D	Cheohee	Walhalla
Gaines, B S	D	Pendleton	Central
Durant, O L	D	Pickensville Circuit	Early Station

XI.

COMMITTEES OF EXAMINATION.

TO EXAMINE CANDIDATES FOR ADMISSION.

T. E. WANNAMAKER, M. L. BANKS
J. B. MASSEBEAU, B. G. JONES.

FIRST YEAR.

D. J. McMILLAN,
J. L. SHUFORD,
A. J CAUTHEN,
LANDY WOOD.

THIRD YEAR.

C. H. PRITCHARD,
W. W. MOOD,
S P. H. ELWELL,
W. T. CAPERS.

SECOND YEAR.

D. J. SIMMONS,
J. B. TRAYWICK,
THOS. MITCHELL,
R. L. HARPER.

FOURTH YEAR.

J. C. STOLL,
J. E. WATSON,
J. W. McROY,
WM. THOMAS.

COURSE OF STUDY.

FOR ADMISSION ON TRIAL.—The Bible in reference to doctrines generally; Wesley's Sermons on Justification by Faith, and on the Witness of the Spirit; Book of Discipline; the ordinary branches of an English Education.

FIRST YEAR.—The Bible in reference to its historical and biographical parts and chronology; Book of Discipline, with special reference to Chapter 1, Sections I. and II.; Manual of Discipline, Chapters I. and II.; Wesley's Sermons, Volume I.; Ralston's Elements of Divinity; Watson's Institutes, Part IV.; Preachers' Manual, History of the organization of the M. E. Church, South, by A. H. Redford; Written Sermon on Repentance.

Books of Reference.—Watson's Biblical and Theological Dictionary; Theological Compend; Fletcher's Works; Watson's Life of Wesley.

SECOND YEAR.—The Bible in reference to its prophetical parts; Wesley's Sermons, Volume II.; Watson's Institutes, Part III.; Smith's Elements of Divinity; Book of Discipline, with special reference to Chapters II., III., and IV.; Manual of Discipline, Chapters III. and IV.; Coppee's Rhetoric; Written Sermon on Justification by Faith.

Books of Reference.—Newton or Keith on the Prophecies; Angus' Handbook of the Bible; Claude's Essay on the Composition of a Sermon; Watson's Sermons; Bickerstith on the Spirit of Life; Whately's Rhetoric.

THIRD YEAR.—The Bible in reference to the Life of Christ; Wesley's Sermons, Volume III.; Watson s Institutes, Part II.; Coppee's Logic; Rivers' Mental Philosophy; Edgar's Variations of Popery; Book of Discipline, with special reference to Chapter V., to the end; Manual of Discipline, Chapters V., VI., and VII.; Written Sermon on the Witness of the Spirit.

Books of Reference.—Young's Christ of History; Neander's Life of Christ; Hickok's Mental Science; Vinet's Pastoral Theology; Steven's History of Methodism; Paine's Life of McKendree; D'Aubigne's History of the Reformation; Whateley's Logic.

FOURTH YEAR.—The Bible in reference to the Acts and Epistles, their analysis and design; Wesley's Sermons, Volume IV.; Watson's Institutes,

Part I.; Powell on Apostolic Succession; Hickok's Moral Science; Mosheim's Church History; Summers on Baptism; Book of Discipline, reviewed; Manual of Discipline, Chapters VIII and IX.; Written Sermon on Regeneration.

Books of Reference.—Butler's Analogy; Bingham's Antiquities; Rivers' Moral Philosophy; Hoppin's Homiletics; Wall on Infant Baptism; Litton's Church of Christ; Neander's Church History; Liddon on the Divinity of our Lord; Conybeare and Howson's Life and Epistles of St. Paul.

COMMENTARIES.—Clarke's, Watson's Exposition; Wesley's Notes; Summers on the Gospels; Stier's Words of the Lord Jesus; Lange on the New Testament; Olhaussen on the New Testament; Alford on the New Testament; Bloomfield on the New Testament; Macnight on the Epistles; Henry's Exposition; Whitby's Commentary.

NOTE.—The examination will be confined to the Course of Study. The books of reference are recommended to be read, and the Commentaries to be consulted.

***The candidates for admission on trial, and the several classes to be examined, and the members of the Examining Committees, are required to be present at the seat of the Annual Conference, at 9 o'clock on the morning of the day next preceding the day appointed for the meeting of the Conference, and enter upon the prescribed examinations.

XII.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE.

Constitution.

ARTICLE I. This Association shall be denominated "The Historical Society of the South Carolina Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South."

ART. II. The object of this Society shall be to collect and preserve information in connection with the rise and progress of Methodism within the bounds of the South Carolina Conference and elsewhere, likewise objects of curiosity and interest, in the form of manuscripts, books, pamphlets, medals, portraits, etc., and anything that may shed light upon this interesting subject.

ART. III. The property of this Association shall be deposited at Wofford College, and each article numbered and labelled legibly with the name of the Association, the name of the donor, and date at which it was presented, the number, etc., to correspond with a like entry upon a registry kept for that purpose.

ART. IV. All the property of this Association shall be open to the inspection of the members of this Society and others, under such restrictions and regulations as may be adopted by the Board of Curators, and in no case shall any article of any kind be removed from the Museum or Depository, which Depository shall contain, under the same restrictions and regulations, for the benefit of the members, a Library, as rapidly formed as circumstances may admit.

ART. V. The interests of this Society shall be under the supervision of a President, three Vice-Presidents, a Treasurer, a Recording and Corresponding Secretary, three Curators, and a Board of nine members; the said officers to be elected annually, and continue in office until their successors be appointed.

ART. VI. The officers and managers shall meet annually at the seat of the Conference session. Five shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, the Curators being *ex-officio* members of the Board. The Society

shall meet annually during the Conference session, for the purpose of hearing a lecture, electing officers, and attending to any other necessary business. The times and places of the meeting of the Board and Society shall be made known by the President of the Association.

ART. VII. An initiation fee of *fifty cents*, and an annual contribution of *fifty cents*, shall constitute a member for one year ; *ten dollars* a life member, and donations of value shall constitute the donor an honorary member.

ART. VIII. The Board of Managers shall have charge of the interests of the Society, and the Curators during the interval of meeting of said Board ; the remaining officers shall perform the duties usually appertaining to such officers.

ART. IX. This Constitution may be altered or amended at any annual meeting of the Society by a vote of two-thirds of the members present ; *provided*, such alterations have been previously approved by the Board of Managers.

The Historical Society of the South Carolina Conference met in the Washington Street Church of Columbia, S. C., December 11th, 1877, Rev. A. M. Shipp, D. D., in the Chair.

Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. O. A. Darby.

The Annual Lecture was delivered by Rev. A. M. Chrietzberg.

On motion, the thanks of the Society were tendered to the Lecturer for his able and valuable contribution to the history of Methodism in the Carolinas, and a copy was requested for publication.

On motion, the Presiding Elders were requested to acquire all the facts concerning the history of the Methodist Church in South Carolina, to write them up, and to send them to the Archives of the Society located at Spartanburg, S. C.

Rev. S. Leard was elected Lecturer for next year,

Rev. A. M. Chrietzberg declining re-election for the ensuing year.

The following officers were elected :

Rev. J. T. WIGHTMAN, *President.*
Rev. A. M. SHIPP, *1st Vice-President.*
Rev. H. A. C. WALKER, *2d Vice-President.*
Rev. A. J. STOKES, *Recording Secretary.*
Rev. E. J. MEYNARDIE, *Corresponding Secretary.*
W. K. BLAKE, *Treasurer.*

Curators.—Simpson Bobo, J. H. Carlisle, D. A. DuPre.

Managers.—Rev. Wm. Martin, Rev. C. H. Pritchard, Rev. Jas. A. Porter, Rev. O A. Darby, Rev. W. Brown, Rev. A. J. Stafford, Rev. D. J. Simmons, Rev. Thos. Michell, and Rev. T G. Herbert.

Columbia, S. C., Dec. 11th, 1877. A. J. STOKES, *Secretary.*

LEGAL CONFERENCE.

ACT OF INCORPORATION.

Be it enacted by the Honorable the Senate and House of Representatives, now met and sitting in General Assembly, and by the authority of the same, That W. M. Wightman, Whitefoord Smith, H. A. C. Walker, J. H. Wheeler, J. Stacy, N. Tally, C. Betts, W. Martin, S. W. Capers, W. A. Gamewell, R. J. Boyd and D. Derrick, with such others as they may associate with themselves, and their successors, be, and they are hereby declared to be a body corporate, in deed and in law, by the name of the South Carolina Annual Conference, and by the said name shall have perpetual succession of officers and members, and a common seal, with power to purchase, have, hold, receive, and enjoy, in perpetuity, or for any term of years, any estate, lands, tenements, or hereditaments, not exceeding $20,000 in net annual produce, of what kind soever, and to sell, alien, remise, and change the same, or any part thereof, as it shall think proper, and by its said name to sue and be sued, plead and

be impleaded, answer and be answered unto, in any Court of Law or Equity in this State; and to make such rules and by-laws, (not repugnant to the law of the land,) for the regulation, benefit and advantage of the said Corporation, and the same to change and alter, as shall from time to time be agreed upon by a majority of the members of said Corporation.

The said Corporation may take and hold to itself and its successors forever, any gifts, or devises, or bequests, or lands, personal and real estate, and choses in action, and may appropriate the same for the benefit of the said Corporation, in such manner as may be determined by a majority of the members thereof; and the said Corporation may become Trustee for any religious or charitable use.

The said Corporation shall, with the consent of a majority of the members of the unincorporated body, now known as the "South Carolina Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South," be vested with all the rights and property belonging to the unincorporated body, heretofore known in South Carolina as the "South Carolina Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church," and the said Corporation is hereby empowered to elect or appoint any one or more officers, and the same to change at pleasure, who shall have full authority to receive from any person the possession of any property or moneys belonging to either of the said incorporated bodies; or in which they or either of them have any use, right or claim, and the same to sue for and recover, and the release of the said officer or officers of the Corporation shall be a full and sufficient discharge to any person paying over or delivering up any such sum of money or property.

That this Act shall be deemed and taken as a Public Act in all the Courts of Justice, and elsewhere, in this State, and shall be given in evidence without special pleading.

In the Senate House, the twenty-sixth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty, etc.

R. F. W. ALLSTON, *President of the Senate.*
J. SIMONS, *Speaker House of Representatives.*

BY-LAWS OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

I. The Corporation shall meet annually at the place of holding the session of the unincorporated body, known as the South Carolina Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and during the session of that body, at such time as shall be designated by the President, or in his absence, one of the Vice-Presidents.

II The members of the unincorporated body, known as the South Carolina Conference, now in connection with the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, shall be eligible to membership in this body, by a majority of the votes of this Corporation. *Provided*, That whenever any such minister shall locate, or be transferred to another Annual Conference, or in any way cease to be a member of the unincorporated Conference, his membership in this Corporation shall terminate. Five laymen may also, by a majority of votes, be elected members of this Corporation, to serve as managers, but their membership shall terminate whenever they fail to be elected on the Board of Managers. From among these five laymen to be so elected, one shall be the Treasurer of this Conference.

III. At the death of any clerical member, his widow and children shall be allowed such appropriation from the funds of this Corporation, from time to time, as shall be declared by the Board of Managers, and approved by this body.

IV. The officers of this Conference shall be a President, four Vice-Presidents, a Secretary, and a Treasurer, and also a Board of Managers, consisting of the officers above named, and the laymen, who shall have been elected members of the Corporation. These officers shall be elected at each annual

meeting of the body, by a majority of the votes of the members present, (except the Treasurer, for whose election provision is hereinafter made) *Provided*, That in the event of an annual meeting not being held, or no election of officers taking place, then the officers last elected shall serve until the next election.

V. It shall be the duty of the President to preside at all meetings of this Corporation, and to call meetings of the Board of Managers, whenever, in his judgment, they are necessary. He shall be *ex-officio* President of the Board of Managers.

VI. The Vice-Presidents shall also be *ex-officio* members of the Board of Managers. In the absence, or in case of the death or removal from the Conference of the President, the first Vice-President shall take his place, and fulfill all the duties of the President. In his absence the second Vice-President shall take the place.

VII. The Secretary shall attend all meetings of this Board, and of the Board of Managers, of which he shall be also *ex-officio* member, and shall keep a journal of all the proceedings, both of the Conference, and of the Board, to be signed by the President, and countersigned by himself.

VIII. The Treasurer of this Conference shall be elected by the Board of Managers, from among the lay members of this Corporation. Before entering upon the discharge of his duties, he shall give security in the sum of $10,000 (ten thousand dollars,) to be approved by the Board of Managers. It shall be his duty to take charge of all the funds and securities belonging to this Corporation, and to hold the same for its use. He shall invest no money, except under the direction of the Board of Managers. He shall be authorized to receive all income, dividends or interest, accruing to this Corporation, and to give proper releases for the same. He shall be allowed a commission of three and a half per cent. on all moneys received, and two and a half per cent. on all moneys expended by him; but this commission is only intended to apply to the income, dividends and interests accruing upon the capital. He shall make an annual report to this Corporation of all its financial interests. The Board of Managers may at any time require of him an exhibit of the finances of the Conference.

IX The Board of Managers shall meet at the call of the President, seven of whom shall constitute a quorum. They shall be authorized to manage and conduct all the financial concerns of the Corporation, and to give direction for the receipt, disbursing and investment of all its funds, to appoint proper agents for the receipt or recovery of any funds or property to which it may become entitled, and to execute, by the President, or any other agent or officer whom they may appoint, any deeds or instruments of writing, which may become necessary in the conduct of the business of the Corporation.

X. The Board of Managers shall recommend, from year to year, such appropriations from the net annual income of the Conference, for charitable purposes, as they shall deem most advisable, in conformity with the original intention of the various institutions or trusts for which this Corporation shall be made the Trustee, but such recommendations shall be submitted to the Corporation, who shall approve, alter, or reject them. *Provided nevertheless*, that no appropriation shall be made, either by the recommendation of the Board, or the action of the Conference, which will diminish its capital.

XI. These By-Laws shall not be altered or amended, except at the annual meeting of this Corporation, and by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

OFFICERS.—Rev. S. B. Jones, President; Rev. A. M. Shipp, D. D., 1st Vice-President; Rev. W. Smith, D. D., 2d Vice-President; Rev. H. A. C. Walker, 3d Vice-President; Rev. W P. Mouzon, 4th Vice-President; Rev. S. A. Weber, Secretary; W. K. Blake, Treasurer; Simpson Bobo, Geo. W. Williams, A. A. Gilbert, S. W. Maurice, Managers.

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SESSIONS OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE.

Number.	PLACE.	DATE.	PRESIDENT.	SECRETARY.
1	Charleston, S. C.	Mar. 22, 1787	Coke and Asbury.	Not known.
2	"	" 12, 1788	Francis Asbury.	Not known.
3	"	" 17, 1789	Coke and Asbury.	Not known.
4	"	Feb. 15, 1790	Francis Asbury.	Not known.
5	"	" 22, 1791	Coke and Asbury.	Not known.
6	"	" 14, 1792	Francis Asbury.	Not known.
7	"	Dec. 24, 1792	Francis Asbury.	Not known.
8	Finche's in Fork of Saluda and Broad Rivers...	Jan. 1, 1794	Francis Asbury.	Not known.
9	Charleston, S, C.	" 1, 1795	Francis Asbury.	Not known.
10	"	" 1, 1796	Francis Asbury.	Not known.
11	"	" 5, 1797	Coke and Asbury.	Not known.
12	"	" 1, 1798	Jonathan Jackson.	Not known.
13	"	" 1, 1799	Francis Asbury.	Jesse Lee.
14	"	" 1, 1800	Francis Asbury.	Jesse Lee.
15	Camden, S. C.....	" 1, 1801	F. Asbury & Whatcoat.	Jeremiah Norman
16	"	" 1, 1802	Francis Asbury.	Nicholas Snethen.
17	"	" 1, 1803	Francis Asbury.	Nicholas Snethen.
18	Augusta, Ga.....	" 2, 1804	Coke and Asbury.	Nicholas Snethen.
19	Charleston, S. C.	" 1, 1805	Asbury & Whatcoat.	John McVean.
20	Camden, S. C.....	Dec. 30, 1805	Asbury & Whatcoat.	James Hill.
21	Sparta, Ga.....	" 29, 1806	Francis Asbury.	Lewis Myers.
22	Charleston, S. C.	" 28, 1807	Francis Asbury.	Lewis Myers.
23	Liberty Chap. Ga.	" 26, 1808	Asbury & McKendree	Wm. M. Kennedy.
24	Charleston, S. C.	" 23, 1809	Asbury & McKendree	Wm. M. Kennedy.
25	Columbia. S. C....	" 22, 1810	Asbury & McKendree	Wm. M. Kennedy.
26	Camden, S. C.....	" 21, 1811	Asbury & McKendree	Wm. M. Kennedy.
27	Charleston, S. C .	" 19, 1812	Asbury & McKendree	Wm. M. Kennedy.
28	Fayetteville, N.C.	Jan. 14, 1814	Asbury & McKendree	Wm. M. Kennedy.
29	Milledgeville, Ga.	Dec. 21, 1814	Asbury & McKendree	Alexander Talley.
30	Charleston, S. C..	" 23, 1815	Wm. McKendree.	Alexander Talley.
31	Columbia, S. C....	" 25, 1816	McKendree & George	Alexander Talley.
32	Augusta, Ga*.....	Jan. 27, 1818	Wm. McKendree.	Samuel K. Hodges
33	Camden, S. C.....	Dec. 24, 1818	Robert R. Roberts.	Samuel K Hodges
34	Charleston, S. C..	Jan. 30, 1820	Enoch George.	Wm. M. Kennedy.
35	Columbia, S. C...	Jan. 11, 1821	Enoch George.	Wm. M. Kennedy.
36	Augusta, Ga.....	Feb 21, 1822	McKendree & George	Wm. M. Kennedy.
37	Savannah, Ga.....	" 20, 1823	Robert R. Roberts.	Wm. M. Kennedy.
38	Charleston, S. C..	" 19, 1824	Enoch George.	Wm. M. Kennedy.
39	Wilmington N.C†	" 16, 1825	Robert R. Roberts.	Wm. M. Kennedy.
40	Milledgeville, Ga.	Jan. 12, 1820	Joshua Soule.	Wm. M. Kennedy.
41	Augusta, Ga.....	Jan. 11, 1827	McKendree, Roberts & Soule.	Samuel K. Hodges
42	Camden, S. C. ...	Feb. 6, 1828	Joshua Soule.	Samuel K Hodges
43	Charleston, S. C..	Jan. 28, 1829	Wm McKendree.	Wm. M. Kennedy.
44	Columbia, S. C..‡	" 27, 1830	Joshua Soule.	John Howard.
45	Fayetteville, N.C.	" 26, 1831	Wm. M. Kennedy.	Samuel W. Capers
46	Darlington, S. C.	" 26, 1832	Elijah Hedding	W. M. Wightman.
47	Lincolnton, N. C.	" 30, 1833	J. O Andrew.	W. M. Wightman.

* Removed from Louisville, Ga.
† Removed from Fayetteville, N. C.
‡ Georgia Conference, set off.

SESSIONS OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE--[*Continued.*]

Number.	PLACE.	DATE.	PRESIDENT.	SECRETARY.
48	Charleston, S. C..	Feb. 5, 1834	Emory and Andrew.	Wm. M. Wightman
49	Columbia, S. C...	" 11, 1835	J. O. Andrew.	Wm. M. Wightman
50	Charleston, S. C..	" 10, 1836	J. O. Andrew.	Wm. M. Wightman
51	Wilmington, N.C.	Jan. 4, 1837	Malcolm McPherson	Wm. M. Wightman
52	Columbia, S. C...	" 10. 1838	Thomas A. Morris.	Wm. Capers.
53	Cheraw, S. C.....	" 9, 1839	J. O. Andrew.	Wm. M. Wightman
54	Charleston, S. C..	" 8, 1840	Thomas A. Morris.	Wm. M. Wightman
55	Camden, S. C.....	Feb. 10, 1841	J. O. Andrew.	Jos. H. Wheeler.
56	Charlotte, N. C...	Jan. 26, 1842	B. Waugh.	Jos. H. Wheeler.
57	Cokesbury, S. C...	Feb. 8, 1843	J. O. Andrew.	Jos. H. Wheeler.
58	Georgetown, S. C.	" 7, 1844	Joshua Soule.	Jos. H. Wheeler.
59	Columbia, S. C....	Dec. 25, 1844	Joshua Soule.	Jos. H. Wheeler.
60	Fayetteville, N.C.	" 10, 1845	J. O. Andrew.	P. A. M. Williams
61	Charleston, S. C...	Jan. 13, 1847	Wm. Capers.	P. A. M. Williams
62	Wilmington, N.C.	" 12, 1848	J. O. Andrew.	P. A. M. Williams
63	Spartanburg, S.C.	Dec. 20, 1848	Wm. Capers.	P. A. M. Williams
64	Camden, S. C.....	" 19, 1849	J. O. Andrew.	P. A. M. Williams
65	Wadesboro', N.C.	" 18, 1850	Robert Paine.	P. A. M. Williams
66	Georgetown, S. C.	" 10, 1851	J. O. Andrew.	P. A. M. Williams
67	Sumter, S. C.....	Jan. 5, 1853	Wm. Capers.	P. A. M. Williams
68	Newberry, S. C...	Nov. 23, 1853	Robert Paine.	P. A. M. Williams
69	Columbia, S. C...	" 15, 1854	George F. Pierce.	P. A. M. Williams
70	Marion, S. C.....	" 28, 1855	John Early.	P. A. M. Williams
71	Yorkville, S. C...	" 19, 1856	J. O. Andrew.	P. A. M. Williams
72	Charlotte, N. C...	" 25, 1857	Robert Paine.	P. A. M. Williams
73	Charleston, S. C..	Dec. 1, 1858	J. O. Andrew.	F. A. Mood.
74	Greenville, S.C...	Nov. 30, 1859	John Early.	F. A. Mood.
75	Columbia, S. C...	Dec. 13, 1860	Robert Paine.	F. A. Mood.
76	Chester, S. C.....	" 12, 1861	J. O. Andrew.	F. A. Mood.
77	Spartanburg, S.C.	" 11, 1862	John Early.	F. A. Mood.
78	Sumter, S. C.....	" 10, 1863	George F. Pierce.	F. A. Mood.
79	Newberry, S. C...	Nov. 16, 1864	George F. Pierce.	F. A. Mood.
80	Charlotte, N. C...	" 1. 1865	George F. Pierce.	F. A. Mood.
81	Marion, S. C.....	Dec. 23, 1866	Wm. M. Wightman	F. A. Mood.
82	Morganton, N.C.	" 11, 1867	David S. Doggett.	F. A. Mood.
83	Abbeville, S C...	" 16, 1868	Wm. M. Wightman	F. M. Kennedy.
84	Cheraw, S. C.....	" 15, 1869	H. H. Kavenaugh.	F. M. Kennedy.
85	Charleston, S.C...	" 7, 1870	George F. Pierce.	F. M. Kennedy.
86	Spartanburg, S C.	" 13, 1871	Robert Paine.	F. M. Kennedy.
87	Anderson, S. C...	" 12, 1872	Robert Paine.	Wm. C. Power.
88	Sumter, S. C.....	" 10, 1873	Holand N. McTyeire	Wm. C. Power.
89	Greenville, S.C...	" 16, 1874	Enoch M. Marvin.	Wm. C. Power.
90	Orangeburg, S. C	" 15, 1875	J. C. Keener.	Wm. C. Power.
91	Chester, S. C.....	" 13, 1876	H. H. Kavenaugh.	Wm. C. Power.
92	Columbia, S. C....	" 12, 1877	D S. Doggett.	Wm. C. Power.

XIV.

SOUTH CAROLINA GENERAL CONFERENCE DELEGATIONS, FROM THE FIRST DELEGATED GENERAL CONFERENCE TO THE PRESENT TIME.

The record of the South Carolina Conference Journal for the year 1808, is as follows:

"The following Brethren purpose to attend the ensuing General Conference: Lewis Myers, Britton Capel, Josias Randall, Wiley Warwich, John McVean, Danl. Asbury, Jas. H. Mellard, Wm. Gassaway, John Gamewell, Saml. Mills, Jos. Tarpley, and Moses Matthews."

After that time they were elected as follows:

1812.	1816.	1820.	1824.
Lewis Myers.	Lewis Myers.	Jos. Tarpley.	Jas. O. Andrew.
Danl. Asbury.	Danl. Asbury.	Jos. Travis.	Lewis Myers.
Lovick Pierce.	Jos. Tarpley.	Wm. Capers.	Wm. M. Kennedy.
Jos. Tarpley.	Wm. M. Kennedy.	Jas. Norton.	S. K. Hodges.
Wm. M. Kennedy.	Thos. Mason.	Lewis Myers.	Jas. Norton.
Jas. Russell.	Hilliard Judge.	Danl. Asbury.	Henry Bass.
Jas. E. Glenn.	Saml. Dunwody.	S. K. Hodges.	Wm. Capers.
Jos. Travis.	Anthony Senter.	Saml. Dunwody.	Saml. Dunwody.
Hilliard Judge.	John B. Glenn.	Wm. M. Kennedy.	Lovick Pierce.
Saml. Dunwody.	Sol. Bryan.	Reserve.	Nicholas Talley.
No Reserves.	Jas. Norton.	J. O. Andrew.	Jos. Travis.
	Henry Bass.		Reserves.
	Reuben Tucker.		Andrew Hamill.
	Alex. Talley.		
	No Reserves.		

1828.	1832.	1836.	1840.
J. O. Andrew.	Wm. Capers.	Wm. Capers.	Wm. Capers.
Wm. Capers.	Malcom McPherson.	S. Dunwody.	C. Betts.
Wm. M. Kennedy.	Wm. M. Kennedy.	Wm. M. Kennedy.	Wm. M. Wightman.
Lovick Pierce.	Henry Bass.	N. Talley.	Wm. M. Kennedy.
Henry Bass.	Saml. Dunwody.	M. McPherson.	Bond English.
Saml. Dunwody.	N. Talley.	C. Betts.	Reserves.
S. K. Hodges.	Hartwell Spain.	Reserves.	H. Spain.
Geo. Hill.	Charles Betts.	H Bass.	H. A. C. Walker.
Wm. Arnold.	Bond English.	Wm. M. Wightman.	N. Talley.
Andrew Hamill.	Reserves.	H. Spain.	
M. McPherson.	Robt. Adams.		
Robt. Adams.	Danl. G. McDaniel.		
Elijah Sinclair.	Jos. Holmes.		
No Reserves.			

1844.	Delegates to Convention 1845.	1846.	1850.
Wm. Capers.	Wm. Capers.	Wm. Capers.	Wm. M. Wightman.
Wm. M. Wightman.	Wm. M. Wightman.	Wm. M. Wightman.	Whitefoord Smith.
Charles Betts.	Charles Betts.	H. A. C. Walker.	H. A. C. Walker.
Saml. Dunwody.	H. A. C. Walker.	Chas. Betts.	C. Betts.
H. A. C. Walker.	Saml. Dunwody.	N. Talley.	A. M. Shipp.
Reserves.	Bond English.	B. English.	Jas. Stacy.
Whitefoord Smith.	Whitefoord Smith.	Reserves.	W. A. Gamewell.
Bond English.	Saml. W. Capers.	W. Smith.	N. Talley.
	Robt. J. Boyd.	S. Dunwody.	S. W. Capers.
		S. W. Capers.	Reserves.
			R. J. Boyd.
			H. Spain.

1854.

Wm. M. Wightman.
A. M. Shipp.
W. A. Gamewell.
Whitefoord Smith.
H. A. C. Walker.
Wm. A. McSwain.
R. J. Boyd.
Jas. Stacy.

Reserves.

T. R. Walsh.
H. H. Durant.

1858.

Wm. M. Wightman.
W. A. Gamewell.
A. W. Shipp.
H. A. C. Walker.
R. J. Boyd.
W. A. McSwain.
N. Talley.
J. W. Kelly.
Jas. Stacy.
C. Betts.

Reserves.

Wm. P. Mouzon.
H. C. Parsons.

1862.

A. M. Shipp.
W. A. Gamewell.
H. A. C. Walker.
R. J. Boyd.
W. A. McSwain.
S. H. Browne.
Wm. P. Mouzon.
Jas. Stacy.
H. C. Parsons.

Reserves.

C. Betts.
J. T. Wightman.
C. H. Pritchard.
H. M. Mood.

1866.

Whitefoord Smith.
A. M. Shipp.
W. A. Gamewell.
H. A. C. Walker.
S. H. Browne.
R. J. Boyd.
Jas. Stacy.
Wm. H. Fleming.
Chas. Betts.

Reserves.

J. W. Kelly.
J. R. Pickett.
Wm. P. Mouzon.

1870.

A M. Shipp.
H. A. C. Walker.
W. Smith.
W. P. Mouzon.
Wm. H. Fleming.
F. M. Kennedy.

Reserves.

S. H. Browne.
A. M. Chrietzberg.
J. W. Kelly.

1874.

A. M. Shipp.
F. M. Kennedy.
H. A. C. Walker.
W. H. Fleming.
J. W. Kelly.
S. H. Browne.

Reserves.

A. M. Chrietzberg.
S. B. Jones.
H. M. Mood.
J. T. Wightman.

1870.

Lay Reserves.

J. V. Moore.
B. Stokes.
E. T. Rembert.
R. F. Simpson.
T. S. Moorman.
D. R. Barton.

Lay Delegates.

W. J. Montgomery.
G. W. Williams.
A. A. Gilbert.
H. J. Wright.
J. H. Carlisle.
S. Bobo.

1878.

A. M. Shipp.
W. W Duncan.
F. M. Kennedy.
H. A. C. Walker.
A. M. Chrietzberg.
S. B. Jones.
O. A. Darby.

Reserves.

Sidi H. Browne.
J. W. Kelly.
J. T. Wightman.
W. C. Power.

Lay Delegates.

S. Bobo.
J. H. Kinsler.
A. A. Gilbert.
F. A. Connor.
A. E. Williams.
S. A. Nelson.

1878.

Lay Delegates.

J. H. Carlisle.
T. S. Moorman.
W. C. McMillan.
Wm. Stokes.
F. A. Connor.
Dr. H. Baer.
G. J. Patterson.

Lay Reserves.

W. K. Blake.
John A. Elkin.
J. R. Mood.
W. H. Smith, (L. P.)

1874.

Lay Reserves.

L. Bellenger.
W. C. McMillan.
S. M. Rice.
W. W. Pemberton.
S. C. Clyde.
R. H. Yeargin.

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IN MEMORIAM.

"Strong Son of God, immortal Love,
Whom we that have not seen Thy face,
By faith and faith alone embrace,
Believing where we cannot prove;

"Thine are these orbs of light and shade;
Thou madest life in man and brute;
Thou madest Death; and lo, Thy foot
Is on the skull which Thou hast made."

THE DEAD

OF THE

South Carolina Conference.

DECADES AND NUMBERS.	NAMES.	PLACE OF BIRTH.	Entered the Itinerancy.	TIME OF DEATH.	Age.	PLACE OF BURIAL.
From 1788 to 1800. 13	Woolman Hickson		1782	1788		New York, N Y
	John Major,		1783	1788		Lincoln Co. Ga
	Henry Bingham,	Virginia	1785	1788		Cattle Creek, C G, S C
	James Connor,	Buckingham Co, Va	1787	1789		Augusta, Ga
	Wyatt Andrews,		1789	1790		Cherokee, S C
	John Tunnel,		1777	1790		Sweet Spr, East Tenn
	Lemuel Andrews,		1787	1790		Santee, S C
	Benj Carter,	In the West	1787	1792		Washington, Ga
	Hardy Herbert,	North Carolina	1788	Nov. 20, 1794	25	Norfolk, Va
	Richard Ivy,		1781	1790		Sussex Co, Va
	Reuben Ellis,	North Carolina	1777	Feb'ry, 1796		Baltimore, Md
	James King,	Gloucester, Va	1794	Sept 18, 1797	25	Bethel, Charleston, S C
	John N Jones,	Virginia	1790	July 16, 1798		Bethel, Charleston, S C
1800 to 1810. 7	James Tolleson,	South Carolina	1791	Aug 1800		Portsmouth, Va
	Moses Wilson,		1795	1803		Kershaw Co, S C
	Benj Jones,	Georgetown Co, S C	1801	1804	30	Bladen Co, N C
	Tobias Gibson,	Marion Co, S C	1792	April 5, 1804	30	Natchez, Miss
	Nicholas Watters,	An'e Arundel Co Va	1776	Aug 10, 1804	65	Bethel, Charleston, S C
	Geo Dougherty,	Newberry, S C	1798	Mar 23, 1807		Wilmington, N C
	Bennett Kendrick,	Virginia	1799	April 5, 1807		Marlboro' Co, S C
1810 to 1820. 8	Thos Dickinson,	North Carolina	1811	1811		Cypress Ct, S C
	Samuel Mills,	Northampton, N C	1802	June 8, 1811	30	Camden, S C
	Jacob Rumph,	Orangeburg Co, S C	1808	Sept 11, 1812	35	Bethel, Charleston, S C
	Lewis Hobbes,	Burke Co, Ga	1808	1814	31	Georgia
	Richmond Nolly,	Virginia	1808	Nov. 24, 1815	30	Catahoula Par, La
	Wm Partridge,	Sussex Co, Va	1780	May 17, 1817	63	Sparta, Ga
	Anthony Senter,	Lincolnton, N C	1809	Dec 23, 1817	32	Georgetown, S C
28	Henry Fitzgerald,	North Carolina	1818	Sept 19, 1819	22	Bethel, Charleston, S C

"Thou wilt not leave us in the dust;
Thou madest man, he knows not why:
He thinks he was not made to die;
And Thou hast made him, Thou art just."

"Eternal process moving on,
From state to state the spirit walks
And these are but the shattered stalks,
Or ruined chrysalis of one."

Decades and Numbers	Names.	Place of Birth.	Ent'ed the Itinerancy.	Time of Death.		Age.	Place of Burial.
From 1820 to 1830. 28	Chas. Dickenson,	Moore Co, N C	1811	Sept 1,	1820	36	Washington Co, Ga.
	John Dix,	Robinson Co, N C	1818	June 14,	1823	56	North Carolina
	Benjamin Crane,		1823		1824		
	Daniel Asbury,	Fairfax Co, Va	1786		1825	63	Lincoln Co., N C
	Isaac Oslin,		1824		1825		
	James Norton,		1806	Aug 26,	1825	38	Columbia, S C
13	Benj. Rhodes,		1818		1826		Georgetown, S C
	Isaac Hartley,	South Carolina	1825		1826		Georgetown, S C
	John L. Greaves,	South Carolina	1818		1826		
	John Gamewell,		1800	Oct 7,	1828		Conwayboro' S C
	Asbury Morgan,	Meckl'burg Co, NC	1818	Sept 25,	1828	31	Bethel, Charleston
	John Coleman,		1827		1828		
	George Hill,	Charleston, S C	1819		1829	32	Milledgeville, Ga
From 1830 to 1840. 16	John Honour,	Charleston, S C	1827	Sept 19,	1830	60	Trinity Ch, Charleston
	Thomas L. Winn,	Abbeville Co, S C	1817	Oct 9,	1830	32	Camden, S C
	Trist. Stackhouse,	South Carolina,	1830		1831		Cypress Ct. S C
	Absalom Brown,	Fairfield Co, S C	1828		1833		Montgomery Co. N C
	Jas. J. Richardson,	Marion Co, S C	1829	July 9,	1833	28	Lincolnton, N C
	Thomas Neill,	Burke Co, N C	1820	July, 21,	1833	27	Newberry, S C
	Isaac Smith,	Virginia,	1784	July 20,	1834	76	Georgia
	Josiah Freeman,	Oglethorpe Co, Ga.	1822	Nov 27,	1834	37	Columbia, S C
	Parley W. Clenny.	Anson Co, N C	1832	Oct 5,	1835	23	Remberts, Sumter Ct
	Geo. W. Huggins.	Marion Co, S C	1833	Oct	1835	27	Horry Co, S. C.
	Samuel Bozeman,	North Carolina	1833		1835	29	Richmond Co, N C
	Angus McPherson,	Cumb'land Co, NC	1826	Nov 4,	1836	34	Ebenezer, Newberry
	Thomas C. Smith,	Richmond Co, N C	1828	Nov 27,	1837	30	Montgomery, N C
	Benj Bell,	Montgo'ery Co, N C	1826	Jan 27,	1838	37	Anson Co, N C
	John Bunch,	Charleston, S C	1812	Sept 7,	1838	45	Friendship Church, Cooper River Ct.
	Thomas D Turpin,	Maryland	1829	July 26,	1838	33	Lowndesville, Abbeville County, S C
From 1840 to 1850. 12	Wm. M. Kennedy,	North Carolina	1805	Feb 22,	1840	57	Columbia, S C
	Jehu G. Postell,	York Co, S C	1836	April	1840		Charleston, S C
	Christian G. Hill,	Charleston, C C	1818	Aug 11,	1840	50	Bethel, Charleston
	Barlett Thomason,	Laurens Co, S C	1833		1841	30	Orangeburg Ct, S C
	John N Davies,	Mecklenburg Co, N C	1834	June,	1844	40	Columbia, S C
	Jacob Nipper,	Richland Co, S C	1839		1844	32	Darlington C H, S C
	Abel Hoyle,	Lincoln Co, N C	1837	Sept 8,	1844	33	Monroe Co, S C
	Newton Goudeloch	Union Co, S C	1842		1845	30	
	John McMakin,	North Carolina	1837		1846	35	North Carolina
	John S Capers	South Carolina	1846		1846		Union Bl'ck Sw'p Ct
	James Jenkins,	Marion Co, S C	1792	June 24,	1847	83	Camden, S C
	John Tarrant,	Virginia	1809	Apl 1,	1849	64	Anson Co, N C
From 1850 1860. 19	Joseph Moore,	Virginia	1791	Feb 14,	1851	84	Edgefield, S C
	Reddick Bunch,	South Carolina	1850	Feb 14	1851		Hardeeville, S C
	Dan'l G McDaniel,	Georgetown, D C	1811		1853	62	Camden, S C
	Sam'l Dunwody,	Chester Co, Pa	1806	July 8,	1854	73	Tab'cle, Abbeville Co
	Campbell Smith,	Marlboro' Co, S C	1834	Dec. 27,	1854	46	Rutherford Co, N C
	William Capers,	St Thos Par of S C	1808	Jan. 29,	1855	65	Columbia, S C
	James Dannelly,	Columbus Co, Ga	1818	Apl 28,	1855	69	Lowndesville, S C
	Jacob Hill,	North Carolina	1811	Jun. 16	1855	65	Catawba Circuit, N C
	Sam'l W Capers,	Georgetown, S C	1828	Jun. 22,	1855	58	Camden, S C
	John W J Harris,	Union Co, S C	1848	Sept 10,	1855	31	Columbia, S C
	Wm M Easterling,	Colleton Co, S C	1851	Sept 29,	1855	39	Monroe Co, S C
	Edwd. D Boyden,	Charleston, S C	1854		1856	29	Charleston, S C
	Charles S Walker,	Charleston, S C	1834	Jan. 18,	1857	41	Spartanburg, S C
	John A Minnick,	Edgefield, S C	1837	Feb 26,	1858	46	Waccamaw Neck, S C
	Frederick Rush,	Orangeburg Co, S C	1829	Aug 8.	1858	56	Ashepoo, S C

"Nor blame I Death, because he bare
The use of virtue out of earth:
I know transplanted human worth
Will bloom to profit otherwhere."

"With God, which ever lives and loves,
One God, one law, one element,
And one far off divine event
To which the whole creation moves."

Decades and Numbers.	NAMES.	PLACE OF BIRTH	Ent'ed the Itineracy.	TIME OF DEATH.	Age.	PLACE OF BURIAL.
	Wm E Boone,	Fayetteville, N C	1850	Oct 29, 1858	28	Aiken, S C
88	James L Belin,	All Saints, S C	1811	May 19, 1859	71	Waccamaw Neck, S C
	J T DuBose,	Darlington Co, S C	1853	July 25, 1859	37	Darlington Co, S C
	Wm J Jackson,	Jackson Co, Ga	1827	Aug 11, 1859	54	Marlboro' Co, S C
	Hugh E Ogburn,	South Carolina	1838	Jan 19, 1860	43	Williamsburg Co, S C
	Henry Bass,	Berlin Conn	1811	May 13, 1860	73	Tabernacle, Abbeville
	Reddick Pierce,	Halifax Co, N C	1805	July 24, 1860	77	Rocky Swamp, S C
	Chas F Campbell,	Marion Co, S C	1859	1860	25	Marion Co, S C
	A H Harmon,	Cleaveland, N C	1848	Aug 20, 1861	39	Mt Carmel, Lancaster
	G G W DuPree,	Greenville, S C	1859	Aug 27, 1861	23	Anson Co, N C
	Henry H Durant,	Horry Co, S C	1834	Dec 3, 1861	47	Spartanburg, S C
	Addison P Martin,	Laurens Co, S C	1847	Aug 13, 1862	37	Laurens Co, S C
	J L McGregor.	Anson Co, N C	1857	1862	40	North Carolina
	Paul A M Williams,	Colleton Co, S C	1837	Jan 1863	47	Colleton Co, S C
	Lindsey C Weaver,	Spartanburg Co	1859	Feb 28, 1863	26	Spartanburg, S C
	A B McGilvray,	Isle Skye, Scotland	1832	June 9, 1863	64	Greenville Co, S C
	Geo W Moore,	Charleston, S C	1825	Aug 16, 1863	63	Bethel, Charleston
	James F Wilson,	Marlboro' Co, S C	1860	Jan 18, 1864	25	Darlington Co, S C
	Wm C Kirkland,	Barnwell Co, S C	1837	Mar 29, 1864	50	Spartanburg, S C
	Wm M Wilson,		1860	Sept 11, 1864	25	Charleston, S C
	Algernon S Link,	Catawba Co, N C	1859	Nov 14, 1864	27	Catawba Co, S C
35	Saml Townsend,	Marlboro' Co, S C	1836	July 31, 1865	50	Columbia, S C
	Danl N Ogburn,	Chesterfield, S C	1853	1865	32	Orangeburg, S C
	Wm A McSwain,	Stanly Co, N C	1839	Jan 1, 1866	51	Laurens Co, S C
	Hilliard C Parsons	Sumter Co, S C	1847	Jan 20, 1866	41	Wadesboro', N C
	Cornelius McLeod		1837	April 9, 1866	53	Richland Co, S C
	John D W Crook,	Orangeburg Co, SC	1851	May 1, 1866	45	Orangeburg Co, S C
	J Wesley Miller,	Charleston, S C	1850	Jan 20, 1866	36	Darlington C H, S C
	W A Hemmingway	Black Mingo, S C	1854	May 19, 1867	30	Manning C H, S C
	Tracy R Walsh,	South Carolina	1830	Oct 20, 1867	59	Bennettsville, S C
	Wm Crook,	Chester Co, S C	1825	Nov 25, 1867	62	York Co, S C
	John P Morris,	Devon, England	1866	Jan 24, 1868	21	Darlington C H, S C
	Bond English,	Kershaw Co. S C	1821	Mar 4, 1868	71	Sumter C H, S C
	Hartwell Spain,	Wake Co, N C	1816	Mar 9, 1868	73	Summerton, S C
	James Stacey,	Lincolnton, N C	1830	May 1, 1868	60	Sumter C H, S C
	Alexius M Forster	Brunswick, N C	1837	Oct 28, 1868	80	Cokesbury, S C
	Robert J Boyd,	Chester Co, S C	1834	Sept 3, 1869	63	Marion C H, S C
	W A Gamewell,	Darlington Co, S C	1834	Oct 30, 1869	55	Spartanburg, S C
	M G Tuttle,		1867	1869	23	McDowell, N C
	Evan A Lemmond	Union Co, N C	1856	Feb 17, 1870	55	Anson Co, N C
	John R Pickett,	Fairfield Co, S C	1835	Mar 15, 1870	56	Chester, S C
	Edward G Gage,	Union Co, S C	1856	Mar 27, 1870	38	Columbia, S C
	Alex W Walker,	Charleston, S C	1834	1870	55	Spartanburg, S C
	Charles Betts,	North Carolina	1818	Sept 30, 1872	72	Marion C H, S C
	A L Smith,	Marlboro' Co, S C	1847	1872	49	Spartanburg, S C
	C Thomason,	South Carolina	1863	Nov 23, 1872	31	Unionville, S C
	N Talley,	Richmond, Va	1811	May 10, 1873	82	Columbia, S C
	Chas Wilson,	Barnwell Co, S C	1831	Apl 14, 1873	71	Orangeburg, S C
19	J Lee Dixon,	Kershaw Co. S C	1872	Dec 19, 1873	44	Spartanburg, S C
	C H Pritchard, Jr.,	Fayetteville, N C	1873	Jan 20, 1874	23	Greenville, S C
	H Bass Green,	Colleton, S C	1872	1874	29	Colleton, S C
	Malcom V Wood,	South Carolina	1872	Aug 27, 1874	28	Conwayboro', S C
	J Claudius Miller,	Charleston, S C	1870	1875	66	Charleston, S C
	A McCorquodale,	Argylshire, Scot'd	1830	Nov 14, 1875	76	Bishopville, S C
	Ed L King,	Fairfield Co, S C	1839	Nov 19, 1875	56	Columbia, S C
	Wm H Fleming,	Charleston, S C	1841	Apl 16, 1877		Charleston, S C
	T S Daniels,	Edgefield, S C	1839	Aug 27, 1877		Edgefield Co, S C
	R R Pegues,	Marlboro' Co, S C	1855	Oct 17, 1877		Marlboro', S C

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RELIGION IN CAROLINA IN THE EIGHTEENTH CENTURY.

A LECTURE BEFORE THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE,

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The triangular bit of land, with an extreme length and breadth of two hundred and ten miles and only 29,395 square miles of territory, having the Savannah River as one boundary, the North Carolina State line as another, and the Atlantic Ocean as the last, is all that remains of the Old South Carolina Conference of the past.

Once an imperial domain was within its jurisdiction, when a part of North Carolina, all of Georgia and Florida, and even portions of Mississippi and Alabama, constituted its territory.

This we regret not, inasmuch as the contraction has added greatly to the prestige of Methodism; and while joining us to a noble brotherhood of talent, numbers, piety and wealth, leaves us not as conquered in the conflict or as laggards in the race; but small as is our territory, still abreast with the foremost of all the tribes of our Israel, we divide but to multiply, for the fathers may exultantly say with Jacob, "I passed over this Jordan with my staff, and now have become '*many*' *Bands.*" To look into this Methodism at its beginning within these boundaries, as associated with the other forms of religion pre-occupying the country a century in advance of it, is the theme of the present endeavor, and must be of interest to an audience like this, consisting as it does of the descendants of the early Methodists—among them many young and vigorous men, ready to make the coming years as glorious as the past, and with the Divine blessing abundantly more so.

The whole North American continent, once an unbroken wilderness, offered an asylum from religious oppression, and all the colonies, save Carolina, were settled by those fleeing from persecution at home. In New England, the Puritan, escaping from royal and episcopal tyranny, settled; in Virginia, the Cavaliers, worn out by Roundhead ascendancy, sought refuge; while Maryland gave safety to Romanists fleeing from Protestant intolerance, and if the Huguenotic settlement at Port Royal had been successful, Carolina would not have been an exception.

Madam Roland, about to die, exclaimed, "O! Liberty! what crimes have been commited in thy name!" So may it be said of Christianity, oppression, misrule, and bloody strife receiving Christian baptism, long prevailed ere liberty of conscience finally triumphed.

In New England, especially, the first laws were most intolerant and cruel. Dancing and drunkenness were punished at the whipping post; wearing long hair was pronounced criminal; Sabbath breaking was punished with banishment, and idolatry with death. Death was the penalty of cursing or striking a parent. Blasphemy, perjury, adultery and witchcraft were all capital offences. Quakers were hanged, to prevent their increase. Jails were filled, the State distracted and the whole country stained with innocent blood. What a travesty this upon his teachings who declared, that "Love was the fulfilling of the Law!" Carolina was saved from this—no such bloody records stain her annals—yet it cannot be asserted that in the beginning religion prevailed in its purity, spirituality and power, as it exists to-day. But ere bringing this more fully to light, we dwell a moment on cotemporary events, the country itself, and a glance at the manners and customs of the people. First, then,

AS TO COTEMPORARY EVENTS.

At about this period, William of Orange was upon the British throne, soon to be succeeded by Queen Anne, who, for fourteen years after, was a nursing mother to the English Church. Jonathan Swift was sought to be made Bishop of America, but it could not be compassed, good Queen Anne,

giving no countenance to the author of the "Tale of a Tub" and "Gulliver." Addison and Steel were delighting London by their daily issue of the *Spectator*. Swift, Arbuthnot, Harlee, and others were making hot the contest between Whig and Tory in the British Parliament. The Society in England, for the propagation of the Gospel in foreign parts, was busied in sending out its missionaries to the Western World. The Great Captain of the Age had not yet won the victories of Blenheim and Malplaquet, nor had he, until long after, become the "driveller and show" that Pope painted him. During the first decade, John Wesley was in the nursery, under the training of an incomparable mother, that, under God, made him what he was. Whitefield was not yet born, but some few years after was in that Bristol inn, and a few years more a servitor in Baolial College. The " Holy Club " had not yet been formed, but some twenty years after was organized at Oxford, and though jeered at by the age, was destined to shake the world.

2d.—as to the country and its inhabitants.

The first attempt to settle Carolina by the English Proprietors was at Port Royal, in 1670. The site changed to the banks of the Ashley in 1671. The only trace of said settlement now existing, is a small hollow, once a wide ditch, running across the front as a protection to the Indians. In 1679 a removal was effected to Oyster Point (the present Charleston), and that year thirty houses were built. In 1700, the extent of territory occupied in the Province was small, being confined within the limits of the Santee and Edisto Rivers.

Soon after its settlement the Province was divided into four counties—Berkley, Colleton, Craven, Carteret or Granville. The safety and prosperity of the Province demanded a rapid increase of population, so that every inducement to emigration was offered. The revocation of the edict of Nantz, in 1685, influenced this largely; the emigrants mostly establishing themselves on the Santee River. Many of their descendants still remain, and are incorporated with the Methodism of to-day. They are the Bineaus, Bonneaus, Douxsaints, DuPre's, DuTarts, Lesesnes, Postells, Remberts, Richbourgs, and others.

Immediately after the change from the Proprietory to the Royal Government, in 1729, vigorous methods were adopted for filling the country with inhabitants. Bounties were offered, lands assigned, and other inducements held out to allure settlers Protestants of all nations were invited to come. Many of the poor and unfortunate of Great Britain, Germany, Switzerland, and Holland closed with these offers, between 1730 and 1750. Orangeburg, Congaree, and Wateree received a large proportion of the Germans; Williamsburg was the rendezvous for the Irish; the Swiss settled on the banks of the Savannah. After the rebellion in Scotland, in 1715 and 1745, many of the vanquished Highlanders sought refuge in Carolina. Up to 1750 the settlements were confined to within eighty miles of the coast. The extinctions of Indian claims, and the cession of territory to the King, led to the settlement of the upper country. opening up the present districts (or counties, now called) of Edgefield, Abbeville, Laurens, Newberry, Union, Spartanburg, York, Chester, Fairfield, and Richland. The fall of Acadia into the hands of the English, led to the removal of some one thousand five hundred French to Charleston; and in 1764 a large number of poor Palatines arrived at the same place. Some two hundred and twelve settlers came from France, under the care of the Rev. Mr. Gibert, settling on the banks of the Long Cane Creek (now in Abbeville County), naming their settlement Bourdeaux and New Rochelle.

The white population in the Revolution amounted to forty thousand. After the peace, in 1783, multitudes from Europe, and the more northern parts of America, poured into the State Pendleton and Greenville Counties filled so rapidly, that, in the year 1800, they alone contained thirty thousand souls. The last foreign emigration was in the closing years of the eighteenth century—the occasion, the insurrection in the Isle of St. Domingo.

A glance at the manners and customs of the earlier settlers shows how

great the change a century makes. Now, roads, and bridges, and ferries abound where then only the Indian trail existed, and railroads speed the traveller, when in the early time he could only trust to his own powers of locomotion, or to the rude canoe. Beasts of burden were few, and goods and chattels had to be conveyed as best they might. The swamps, and branches, and blazes upon the trees the only guide to the traveller. Dirt houses were not uncommon, an excavation in the hill side giving shelter until a rude cabin could be constructed. Outside the city of Charleston the dwellings were all primitive, and even in the city itself there was nothing palatial until long years had gone by.

The town itself, according to Edward Crips' map, published in 1704, was exceedingly limited in extent, covering but a modicum of the Peninsula on which the present city stands. Gov. Archdale speaks of the wide road, extending out for three or four miles, with the noble forest growth—"that no Prince in Europe, by all their art, can make so pleasant a sight." Landgrave Smith's account states, "that the young girls received their beaus at 3 o'clock, having dined at 12, expecting them to withdraw about six," as their fathers, having learned to obey the Curfew toll in England, retired at seven in the winter, and seldom beyond eight in the summer time. The rooms of the houses were all uncarpeted, the rough sides of the apartments of the color of the wood used in their construction.

A MS. history of the Legare family twenty years later, states, "The white inhabitants lived frugally, as luxury had not yet crept in among them; and except a little rum and sugar tea and coffee, were content with what their plantations afforded them. It was customary for families to dine at 12, and take their tea at sunset; after which the old folks sat around their street doors, or, like good, old-fashioned neighbors, exchanged kind greetings with each other from house to house; while the young people assembled in groups to walk or play about the streets. On moonlight evenings the grown girls and young men amused themselves in playing Trays Ace, blind man's buff, etc. Early hours were much regarded, for it was considered a great breach of family discipline for a child to stay out after nine at night."

Between 1730 and '40, the town consisted of from five to six hundred houses, mostly of wood covered with clapboards; but shortly afterwards the style and comfort of dwellings was much improved. No carriages of any kind existed; travellers were exposed to the heat of the sun in open boats or on horseback. An aprochriphal record accounts for the present bend in King street, as the path along which the cattle came home from their pasturage.

Another glimpse of the manners and customs of the people, and this, too, in the upper country, closes up this portion of our subject. James Duncan, the son of the first settler in Newberry county, gives the following description between 1760 and '70.

The customs and amusements that prevailed among the first settlers were: "Wrestling, running foot races, jumping, fiddling, dancing, shooting, blind "man's buff, snuffle the brogue, (whatever that may be,) selling of pawns, "rimming the thimble, (who knows what that is?) crib and taylor, grinding "the bottle, (a blackened hat rubbed over the face while the novice looks "to see the bottle dance,) Brother, I'm bobbed, (here all science is at fault, "the last survivor unable to tell what that is,) black bear, dropping the "glove, swimming and diving, and the like. Their dress consisted of hunt-"ing shirts, leggins, moccasins with buckles and beads upon them. The "men clubbed their hair, and tied it up in a little deer skin or silk bag, or "cued and rolled up in a black ribbon or bear's entrail dressed and dyed "black." He positively states—see Mill's Statistics—(but it may well be doubted), that "the men shaved off their hair and wore white linen caps "with ruffles around them. The women's dress," he continues, "was long-"eared caps, Virginia bonnets, short and long gowns, stays, stomachers, "quilted petticoats and high wooden-heeled shoes."

One of the customs of the country as late as 1790, was, after the manner of an Irish wake, that of treating at funerals. On the authority of Dr.

Howe, we learn: "In the last century the practice of drinking at burials "of the dead prevailed to a melancholy extent, and not a few instances are "given of ministers being disciplined for indulging too freely on such "occasions. And too frequently the living were not sufficiently sober to "follow with becoming decorum their departed friends to the grave."

Such unclerical conduct was not uncommon during the century. An early statute of the neighboring colony of Virginia reads:

"Ministers shall not give themselves to ryott, spending their time idelie "by day or by night, playing at dice, cards, and other unlawful games, but "at all times convenient, they shall hear or read somewhat of the Scrip- "tures, or shall occupy themselves with some other honest studies or exer- "cise, always doing the things that shall appertayne to honestie, and en- "deavor to profit the Church of God, having always in mynd that they "ought to excell all others in purity of life, and should be examples to the "people to live well and Christianlie." All the clergy, of course, were not of this character, but that many of them were "blind leaders of the blind," is fully evident. The records of history show the great need everywhere for a general revival of religion, which, under God, by the Wesleys and Whitefield in Europe, and, about the middle of the century, by the Blairs and Tennents in America, was inaugurated, and in the closing years of the century, by the influence of Methodism, spread over this Continent, and is still spreading over the world.

The first communion outside of Charleston is said to have been at Dorchester, 2d February, 1696, in the midst of an unbroken forest, surrounded by beasts of prey and savage men, twenty miles from the dwellings of any whites, under an oak, now fallen, and fast decaying in 1859. The lines of confusion rest upon Dorchester, the sole monument of former habitations, being the ruins of an ancient Church and the graves of the departed.

In the year 1700 five religious denominations were in the Province. Of Episcopalians, two Churches, one in Charleston and one in Goose Creek. Of the French Huguenots, one Church in Charleston, one on eastern branch of Cooper River, one on Santee, and one on Goose Creek. The Independent Church (known as the Circular) and a Congregational Church at Dorchester. A Presbyterian Church at Stewart Town (Lord Cardros's Colony.) One Baptist Church in Charleston, first Pastor Wm. Screven. Date 1685. And a Quaker Meeting House, date 1696.

Locke's Fundamental Constitution drawn up for the government of the Province, contained an article (said to have been inserted contrary to his opinion) providing that the Church of England should be the established religion of Carolina. Another article provided that no man could become a freeman, or have any estate or habitation in it, who did not believe in a God, and that He was to be publicly worshipped. But it provided likewise that Jews, heathens, and other dissenters, were to be tolerated. Seven persons agreeing on any religion might constitute a Church and be protected. No person, however, over seventeen years of age, not a member of the Church, could claim protection of the law, or hold any place of honor or profit.

This making Christians by Act of Parliament was a good way for obtaining outward conformity, but we need not be surprised that under such a *regime* men should become partakers both of the cup of the Lord, and the cup of Devils. The ostensible reason for the gift of the Carolinas by Charles II. to the Proprietary Government, was the promulgation of the Gospel among the Indians. This was neglected and became an objection to their continued rule, and led to the establishment of the Royal rule. Liberty of conscience in religion and other matters being fully secured, the persecuted flocked in, and enjoying a common asylum, the various sects lived in harmony. But in 1698 the Church of England obtained the passage of an act settling a maintenance on a minister of that Church. But little notice was taken of this at the time, owing to the worthiness of the minister himself, but it gave a legal supremacy to the Church, unbroken until the revolution. Religious supremacy led to political, and the legislative body being mostly Church of England men, led to the exclusion of dissenters by the majority of one vote.

This led to the usual animosity, and though the sectaries petitioned the English Parliament favorable, the Church maintained its supremacy seventy years.

Early in the century a law against profanity was passed leveled at dissenters, as if, however, only religion was to be upheld. Landgrave Smith testified of the body "as some of the profanest in the colony themselves;" and even Mr. Marshall, Rector of St. Philip's, affirmed "that many members of the Common's House that passed the law are constant absentees from Divine service, and that eleven of them were never known to receive the Lord's Supper at all." Thus this Church by law, together with the aid obtained from the Society for the propagation of the Gospel in Foreign parts, possessed immense advantage over all others. So we need not be surprised at the division of the lower parts of the State into Parishes, and the erection of suitable structures for the worship of God, as established by law. And now, remembering that at first provision was made for society to rest on the aristocratical forms of Britain, and that Barons, Caciques, and Landgraves were ordained to rule in Carolina, this, together with the strong forces of an established religion, gave a coloring to High Church claims scarcely abated in this present year of grace. The other colonies to the south of Carolina—Georgia, for instance—were saved from much of this pretentiousness, and we are not surprised at their republican simplicity, and that there, *i. e.* in Georgia, Methodism ranks all other religionists. Yet Dr. Hewatt, in his history of these times, speaks of their success, the mild Church Government, together with able, virtuous, and prudent teachers, abating men's prejudices against the hierarchy and giving them superiority over all sectaries. The Presbyterians, however, were a considerable party in the Province, and kept up their form of worship in it, erecting Churches at Charlestown, Willtown, and the islands, and at Jacksonboro', Indian Town, Port Royal, and Williamsburg. Their ministers, mostly from Europe, were educated, orderly, and zealous. The Independents, or Congregationalists, were formed into a Church in Charleston, in 1682. The Baptists in 1685. The French Protestants in 1700. The German Protestants about 1750. The Methodists in 1785. The Roman Catholics in 1791.

Running back to the first decade of the century, we find the population of the Province near ten thousand souls. A letter dated Charleston, 1st June, 1710, gives the following comparative statement:

All the whites,	to the whole as	12	in 100.
Indian subjects,		66	
Negro slaves,		22	

The proportion the several parties in religion bore to the whole, and to each other, was as follows:

Presbyterians,	to the whole as	$4\frac{1}{2}$	is to 10.
Episcopalians,		$4\frac{1}{4}$	
Anabaptists,		1	
Quakers,		$0\frac{1}{4}$	

The increase in population from the first settlement, in 1670 to 1800 is as follows: 1670, total, 150; 1701, 7,000; 1724, 14,000 whites, 18,000 colored, total, 32.000. Forty years after, in 1764, 38,000 whites, 85,000 colored, total, 123,000. In 1800, by United States census, 196,255 whites, 3,185 free blacks, 146,151 slaves; total, 345,591.

But leaving dry numerical details, entertaining only to the statistician, we turn to matters of more interest.

It would be pleasing to know the matter and manner of preaching in those early days, but only here and there do we get glimpses of it, or rather of the length of the service, or, more properly, the sermon. The canonical twenty minutes of some, and the thirty or forty of others of to-day, contrast badly with the three or four hours of the fathers. But of course the world moves, and so should the sermon. The old Puritan seemed to consider the more gloomy the religion the better the type and if Sunday could only be made a sorry day, it was all the more acceptable to a stern juridical deity,

and he that could not endure the *nineteenthly* or *ninety-ninth* head of a discourse, only showed signs of his gracelessness.

True, Paul once preaching long, "until midnight," Eutycus fell down dead, but to the advocate for long preaching, we would say, all the difference lay in the fact that St. Paul was the preacher. And at this present, within our own bounds, a modern teacher of nonsense insists that six or seven hours is a moderate length for a sermon.

But to the past. Sir John Dalrymple, in his history of the Darien settlement of this early day, says: "They (the preachers) exhausted the spirits of the people, by requiring their attendance at sermons four or five hours at a stretch, relieving each other by preaching alternately, but allowing no relief to their hearers. The employment of one of the days set aside for religious exercises, which was Wednesday, they divided into three parts—thanksgiving, humiliation, and supplication, in which three ministers followed each other. And as the service of the Church of Scotland consists of a lecture, with a comment, a sermon, two prayers, three psalms, and a blessing, the work of that day, upon the average of the length of the service of that age, could not take up less than twelve hours, during which space of time the colony was collected, and kept close together in the guard-room, which was used as a church, in a tropical climate, and at a sickly season. They damped the courage of the people by continually presenting hell to them as the termination of life to most men, because most men were sinners. Carrying the Presbyterian doctrine of predestination to extremes, they stopped all exertions by showing that the consequences of them depended not on those by whom they were made." Doubtless they might have said in rejoinder, "an enemy hath done this."

Mrs. Fludd, according to Dr. Howe, in her MS. history of the Legare family, gives the following scene in Church between the first emigrant, Solomon Legare, and the minister, Mr. Stobo.

"Mr. Legare was strict in the observance of regular hours, and to his great annoyance the Rev. Mr. Stobo, who preached at one time in the Congregational Church, gave sermons of such unusual length that they often interfered with the dinner hour. At length Mr. Legare was determined to submit no longer to such irregularity; and the next Sabbath he got up, with his family, in the midst of the discourse, and was about to leave the church, when the Rev. Scotch gentleman, perceiving his intention, called out from the pulpit: '*Aye, aye, a little pitcher is soon full!*' Upon which irreverent address, the Huguenot's French blood became excited, and turning about in the middle of the aisle, he still more irreverently and not altogether to his credit, retorted, '*And you are an old fool!*' He then quietly went home, with his family, ate his dinner, returned with them to the church, and then listened to the balance of the discourse as gravely as if nothing had occurred."

About 1730 or '40, began that series of events which led to that remarkable revival of pure religion known as the "Great Awakening." The student of Methodist history needs no details on this point. The condition of religion in the established Church of Great Britain, the origin of Methodism, the persecution of the Wesleys, the labors of Whitefield, the Blairs and Tennents, etc., need not be presented here.

But, yet, one little fact few may know, that the woods once existing where the city of Charleston now stands, was the oratory of John Newton—Cowper's Newton—the Olney hymnist—then an officer of a slave ship. In a letter dated about 1740, he speaks of pouring out strong cries and tears amid that shrubbery; returning to England, he became famous as a preacher of righteousness.

The Revolution had wrought great changes in the country, and the long war had, doubtless, interfered seriously even with the form of godliness then prevalent. When the Revolution began, all the parish churches were closed, and most of the clergy, originally from Britain, fled the State. The churches were used as storehouses, even stables, and some of them burned by the British. At the peace, religion had sadly declined; the churches were

again opened, but because of the lax morality of some of the clergy, closed again. An idea of the religious destitution, even in the lower parishes, may be formed from Mr. Dubose's statement in his "Reminiscences of St. Stephens;" that after his baptism, in 1786, by a minister accidentally present and living fifty miles away, he never saw another until twelve years after. As, also, the fact of his surprise at seeing a Presbyterian minister on his travel of forty miles to a communion; not wondering at his zeal or fidelity, but "because I thought he must be a fool."

With many of the parish churches closed, and only here and there, throughout the State, a Presbyterian or Baptist congregation, and the usual religious declension following a long and wasteful war, the time and place was favorable for the introduction of Methodism.

Methodism itself met with no favor, even from its co-religionists, but had to win its triumphs by stalwart use of bow and spear. It sent out no pioneers, hunting goodly places; ran no lines of circumvallation around rich spots; built no fortresses on rich, alluvial sites, but felt called anywhere and everywhere, where souls were to be saved. It hung not around commercial centres, waiting for mammon worship, to compromise with the God of Heaven; but in the "city full" and wilderness, raised the cry, "Repent, for the kingdom of God is at hand." The opposing cry, (as of old), "of their turning the world upside down," never moved them. Ill names they heeded not. Mountain barriers towered in vain, and flowing rivers could not stop their travel.

Bishops and preachers "wrestled with the floods" of swamps and rivers, but neither the floods of waters, nor the "floods of ungodly men," made them afraid. They slept by the camp-fires, with saddles for pillows and the heavens for covering; explored forests, traversed sand hills, dined on the most homely fare at the foot of forest pines, and preached Jesus and the Resurrection everywhere. And, thank God, Bishops—not in lawn or crape—the virtue not in vestments, but in the Holy Ghost sent down from heaven—*do it still.*

Considering all this, we are not surprised at the testimony borne by Dr. Ramsay, the historian of South Carolina, at this early period, to their success. And while we enter a caveat to his conception of their being "excellent pioneers, preparing the way for a stationary and learned clergy," we accept as high praise the following: "That great good has resulted from the labors of the Methodists, is evident to all who are acquainted with the state of the country before, and since they commenced their evangelism in Carolina. Drunkards have become sober and orderly—bruisers, bullies, and blackguards, meek, inoffensive and peaceable, and profane swearers decent in their conversation." Proof enough, certainly, that their mission was of God. And he might have added—and he does substantially—Christ's own seal to its divinity—"*The poor have the Gospel preached unto them.*"

Bishop Asbury, on his first visit to Charleston, speaks of "the Calvinists as the only people there seeming to have any sense of religion. His first sermon was on Wednesday, 2d of March, 1785; the text—"Now, then, as ambassador for Christ, we beseech you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God."

In 1787, two years after their entrance into the State, there were 585 white and 43 colored members. In 1800, fifteen years after, there were 3,399 white and 1,213 colored members. In 1825, forty years after, Mills, the statistician of the State, makes the Methodists within it—"the most numerous of all the religious denominations."

We have not time for the survey of its triumphs over the whole field of its operations in Carolina, nor is it necessary. We select an inconsiderable portion, and only that because we have the light of documentary evidence relating to this very period (1793), and this very section of country, that by way of contrast will bring out forcibly the difference of operation in Church organization, and attest somewhat the worth of an itinerant ministry.

This scope of country extends some miles above the town of Orangeburg, embracing the territory between the Edisto and Santee Rivers, and extend-

ing within twenty miles of Charleston, an area some fifty or sixty miles in length by about twenty or thirty in breadth.

The documentary evidence consists of the report of the Rev. Robert Wilson, the missionary of a sister communion. Being ordered by the Synod to spend three months in the lower part of South Carolina:

On the 6th December, 1793, he marks out his line of travel from Long Cane to Columbia, his field of operation lying below that place. He tells of the country being thickly settled, but the opinions of the inhabitants being so unsettled and various concerning religion, that no one denomination could obtain a settled pastor. He laments the great and marked profanation of the Sabbath, hunting and all kinds of diversion being indulged. Baptists and Methodists abound, the former the most numerous. He states:

"The most of the preachers of that denomination who have frequented this section, are men of infamous character, such as are an indignity to human nature, much more a disgrace to the Christian name. No man of the smallest discernment can possibly become one of their party."

His route led to Turkey Hill, Orangeburg, Cattle Creek, Indian Fields, Four Holes, Wassamasaw, and Beach Hill. And he writes of the people as since the war having encouraged "almost every man who came unto them, calling himself a preacher, and, therefore, have been supplied by a great number in succession who have been invariably addicted to vice, most commonly drunkenness. Hence, with the idea of a minister, here, is always associated the idea of a mercenary creature, unworthy of the attention of gentlemen, and truly it has been too much the case."

After a detail of travel throughout these boundaries, in which the object of his mission seems to receive but little encouragement, he concludes as follows:

"The people among whom I have spent three months as a Missionary have indeed been needy, and their situation must be acknowledged one of the most solemn lessons to ministers that can possibly be given. Thousands of poor ignorant creatures have (by the unholy lives of ministers,) been made to believe there is no reality in religion, and therefore the most affectionate efforts appear to be in a great measure lost. They are like the deaf adder who stoppeth her ear and will not hearken to the voice of charmers, charming never so wisely. The lower parts of South Carolina, in general, appear to be in some measure sensible of the necessity of religion, even for the good of civil society. But in order to general usefulness, a minister would be under the necessity of tarrying so long in one place that the people would be convinced of his sincerity by his Christian walk and conversation. The practice of traveling from place to place in quick succession is in many places unpopular, and, as has been hinted, probably not the most profitable."

Now, be it remembered, that within these boundaries in 1794 labored Isaac Smith, a man to whose purity of character living witnesses can to-day attest, with predecessors like Francis Asbury, Reuben Ellis, Henry Bingham, (buried at Cattle Creek Camp Ground,) and Wm. Gassaway, succeeded by Enoch George, Jonathan Jackson, Jas. Jenkins, Benj. Blanton and Lewis Myers, men who "jeoparded their lives unto the death," and whose record is unstained. The ill-living ministers referred to in the report, therefore, were not of the Methodist order or pursuasion.

The practice of ministers "traveling from place to place in quick succession," and regarded as unpopular and unprofitable—or, in other words, the going after the sheep, beloved! or waiting for the sheep to come to you—finds a sufficient answer in the contrasted statistics of Methodism in the years 1794 and 1876. In 1794, there was but one preacher with 452 church members. In 1876, within the same area, there were 12 separate charges, served by 13 traveling and 12 local preachers, 11 parsonages, 63 churches, 52 Sunday-schools, 307 officers and teachers, 1,689 scholars, 4,036 church members and $47,770 of church property, with some twenty or thirty thousand of the inhabitants under Methodistic influence. Now, to say nothing of the treasured, garnered sheaves in heaven, "*this traveling from place to place in quick*

succession," in the round of less than a century, looks reasonably profitable. And the more so, when it is remembered, this area is not the half of two Presiding Elders Districts, nine of which cover the State of South Carolina.

And now to sum up: First, it is clear that during the eighteenth century, especially at its beginning, both in Europe and America, religion was in a sad state of declension. The form of godliness existed, but that its power was denied is incontestibly evidenced. This we have saliently glanced at in Carolina, and many other witnesses testify to the general decay of vital godliness in all the earth.

Second. It is clear, in breaking up this old order of things, Methodism was a most important factor, and both the Eastern and Western Continents shared in its blessings. And if so, how surely though slowly, comes the reversal of the world's judgment; the man cast out from the Churches of the Establishment, whose dust it would have been deemed an indignity to enshrine in Westminster, to-day has his appropriate niche in Britain's noblest pantheon.

Third. It is likewise clear that its reflex influence on its co-ordinate religionists has been most beneficial, so that while binding up its own treasured sheaves, it has stimulated the religious world to more earnest effort in the great harvest field. And as regards our own Conference, what though if in old aristocratic Charleston, where thousands hung entranced on the ministry of a Capers, an Olin, and others, but few of "the rulers" identified themselves with it, and that only "the common people," as in Christ's day, did so "gladly," Heaven knows where to bestow the plaudit, and the conventionalities of this world pale before the coronations of that other.

And lastly, as in the beginning, so now; Methodism is not dependent for success upon art or man's device, but upon the Holy Ghost, sent down from Heaven. And rising to the dignity of its vast responsibilities, it scorns any contracted boundaries and calls the world its parish. And with a good show of reason, for in only the second century of its existence, as has been said of England's morning drum beat, the songs and prayers of Methodism accompany the sun as his rays traverse the revolving globe.

Finally, a brief glance at the Conference dead closes up this labor.

Woolman Hickson stands first upon the death roll. Died, 1788. "Of promise, genius, and considerable preaching ability, upright in life."

John Major died 1788, "a living, loving soul, who died as he lived, full of faith and the Holy Ghost."

Henry Bingham died 1789, "serious, faithful, zealous, humble and teachable, fervent in exhortation, during his sickness, and resigned in death."

James Connor died 1789, "a pious, solid, understanding man."

Wyatt Andrews died 1790. "As long as he could ride he travelled, and while he had breath he praised God."

Lemuel Andrews died 1790, "without any fear of death."

Benj. Carter died 1792, "blest with frequent consolation in his last hours."

Hardy Herbert died 1795, "a youth of genius and pleasing natural eloquence, died in the fear, favor, and love of God."

Richard Ivy died 1795, "in perfect peace."

Reubin Ellis 1796. Bishop Asbury writes of him: "It is a doubt if there be one left in the connection higher, if equal, in standing, piety and usefulness."

James King and John N. Jones wind up the death-roll of the South Carolina Conference for the eighteenth century.

"And what shall I more say? for the time would fail me to tell of Gideon and of Barak, and of Samson, and of Jeptha, of David also, and Samuel, and of the prophets." Enough; our own historian will embalm their memories when he writes up the history of our Conference.

And now, remembering the past, and looking over the widening fields of Methodistic operation throughout the world, we exclaim with the dying Jacob, "Joseph is a fruitful bough by a well, whose branches run over the wall. The archers have sorely grieved him, and shot at him, and hated him. But his bow abode in strength, and the arms of his hands were made strong by the hands of the mighty God of Jacob."

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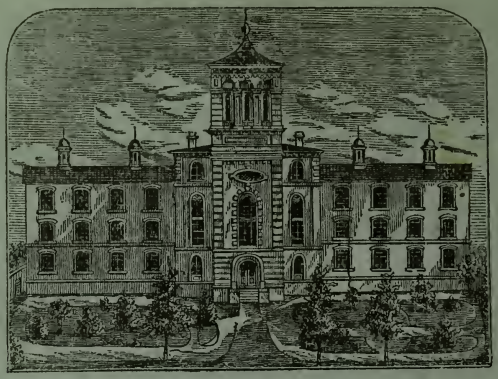

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